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Misplaced Fear

THE Soviet leaders are almost refreshingly unpredictable; not only about what they are going to say next, but in what circumstances they will utter their sentiments on international affairs and relations.

Mr Krushchev, for instance, decided to utilise the Independence Day garden party at the American Embassy in Moscow to dilate on the forthcoming "summit" conference and to harangue his listeners about Western speculations and misconceptions of conditions in Russia. If nothing else, he established an entirely novel protocol for similar functions in the future.

Mr Krushchev's observations have been what is described as "well received" in Paris, London and Washington. Including, one supposes, his apology for saying "something unpleasant". But Western reactions appear to represent mental relief that Mr Krushchev said nothing to sabotage the forthcoming talks, rather than close appraisal of his speech.

JUST what the Soviet party chief meant by his long and involved utterances probably will only become manifest at Geneva. Certainly there were some puzzling aspects about his garden party address, not the least being the emphasis he placed on Russia conferring in the "summit" talks from a "position of strength."

So far as the Western world is concerned there has never been any doubt about that. The West's only fear has been whether the talks could be arranged at a time when Britain, France and the United States could make the same claim.

Never at any time has it been suggested by the Western allies that the Big Four heads of government would meet on anything but an equal basis, meaning points of view, no matter how divergent, would receive equally careful and weighty consideration.

MR Krushchev complains that many people in the non-Communist countries cannot understand Soviet policy. The answer to that, of course, is that it is both obscure and, these days, vacillating. By the same token the Western world finds it difficult to understand how Mr Krushchev and his colleague can criticise the operations of Russian industry and agriculture, but do so, according to Mr Krushchev, not because there is anything wrong with them. This is far too subtle for Westerners to comprehend, and if, therefore, they also arrive at misconceptions about Soviet international policies and intentions, the blame must be assumed by the Russians who persistently talk in riddles.

If Soviet policy is misinterpreted in the West it is not done deliberately, but because the Russians keep the world in the dark as to their true intentions. On the other hand the democracies can rightly protest that their international policies have been mischievously twisted by the Soviet propagandists for the express purpose of misleading the Russian people.

But so far as the Big Four conference is concerned, Mr Krushchev and his associates need have no worry. The Russians will be given a full and respectful hearing; there will be no cause for any feelings of inequality on either side. And if, at that meeting, the Russians make completely clear their international aims and policies, they will have done something unique and extraordinarily helpful.

CONCEALED A-WEAPONS IMPOSSIBLE TO DETECT

Woman's Mysterious Disappearance

London, July 6. The British Embassy in Prague is making urgent inquiries into the disappearance of a British-born Czechoslovak woman, Mrs Phyllis Clarke, from her home in the Czech capital. Mr Anthony Nutting, Minister of State at the Foreign Office announced today.

The woman whose Czech husband has been imprisoned by the Czechs, has made repeated requests to the Czech authorities to leave the country with her children. These efforts were actively supported by the British Foreign Office.

Giving details of the case, Mr Nutting said: "I regret to say that according to information which has just reached me, Mrs Clarke was removed from her home yesterday by Czechoslovak authorities and Her Majesty's Embassy is making urgent inquiries.

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Eisenhower's Admission NEW TWIST TO THE DISARMAMENT PROBLEM

By PAUL SCOTT RANKINE

Washington, July 6.

President Eisenhower acknowledged today that it was not now technically possible, even with unlimited inspection, to detect concealed atomic weapons under any practical world disarmament control system.

The President thus accepted publicly at his press conference a thesis which has been a dominant influence in high level disarmament discussions here in preparation for the Geneva Big Four conference later this month. The thesis stems from the basic fact that, as one high official put it privately, a nuclear bomb capable of destroying a city can now be hidden in a large size sofa.

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Communications Severed

Bombay, July 6.

The Press Trust of India, quoting authoritative report, said tonight that the Portuguese authorities in Diu, tiny colony about 400 miles north of Goa, have severed telegraphic connection with India.

The reports said the telegraph office at Una, on the border, had not been able to get in touch with Diu for the last few days.

Other reports said a dozen or dozen cables had been imposed in the settlement to check entry of volunteers.

Portuguese-controlled Goa radio today announced the death of a radio programme announcer due to "a time bomb explosion" near his house in Panjim, the Goan capital.—Reuters.

Emmett - Dunne Judgment Today

Dusseldorf, July 7. The fate of British soldier Frederick Emmett - Dunne, who made a German woman a widow and then married her, comes up for judgment today (Thursday).

The only official to speak today, ninth day of the murder trial, will be the judge advocate, who will sum up before the court martial of seven officers retire to consider their verdict.

Emmett-Dunne, six feet two, has admitted killing 30-year-old Sergeant Reginald Watters, whose attractive widow he married seven months later. But he claims self-defence. He says the victim was threatening him with a pistol. He said Watters had accused him of seducing his wife, Miss, a 28-year-old former night club singer.

Both Emmett-Dunne and the former Mrs. Watters, have denied any love affair before they were married. Watters was killed two years ago at a British Army camp here. His death was at first ruled as suicide because Emmett-Dunne had strung up the body to make it look as

if Watters had hanged himself. Emmett-Dunne testified he had done this after accidentally killing Watters while trying to take away the pistol. He said he feared the consequences of previous gossip linking him with Miss Watters.

In a 50-minute last plea defense counsel Derek Curtis-Bennett described the case as "probably the most baffling case anyone has ever listened to in my court in any country in the century." The lawyer claimed "the prosecution case falls down like a pack of cards the moment it is touched."

The defense counsel declared: "I am right in saying this is a baffling case. It has not been solved and if it has not been solved you cannot convict anybody of anything."

Prosecutor Mervyn Griffith-Jones, in a two-hour final address, said: "So often in cases of murder it is said on behalf

of the defence: where is the motive for this crime? That can never be said in this case."

He claimed to have put together "a jigsaw of facts" proving premeditated murder with "the strongest evidence of motive."

Throughout it all the defendant maintained a poker face.

Emmett-Dunne spent this evening much like any other he has spent since the trial began. He went out for a brief walk under escort, chain smoked, read books or listened to the radio in his 12 by 8 foot white-washed cell.

Every few minutes his guard peered in at him through an observation slit in the door.

If Emmett-Dunne is acquitted today the court orderly will march him outside the courtroom and there he will be dismissed.

Any other finding will be subject to confirmation and promulgation by General Sir Richard Gale, Commander-in-Chief of the British Army here.

This procedure would take two or three weeks. — China Mail Special.

SUDAN'S FIRST BANK HOLDUP

Khartoum, July 6.

Three masked bandits staged the first bank holdup in Sudan's history today by robbing the vaults of Barclays Bank Wadmedden branch of £4,000.

They bound and gagged the British manager and his staff and made their get-away in a car. — United Press.

Menon Wants Japan In United Nations

Washington, July 6.

Mr V. K. Krishna Menon, India's roving ambassador, said today he thought Japan should become a member of the United Nations and he would support a move to achieve this.

Mr Menon was replying to a question after addressing the National Press Club here.

Mr Menon said he was very impressed by the expressed desire of the world powers to make further efforts to resolve their difficulties.

He was asked whether he regarded the current Soviet "softness" as genuine. "The main thing to consider is to discover what is genuine and the process of discovery is very important," he replied.

"We have found that it is better to accept what people say. If we suspect everybody's motives in the end we suspect ourselves."

Replying to other questions, Mr Menon said:

1. The disposition to the Chinese offshore islands of Quemoy and Matsu, now held by the Nationalist forces, must be part of a general overall peace settlement in the Far East and must not be solved by war. He described the Formosa situation as difficult and one which could give a great deal of trouble.

2. One should not try to assess who was right and who was wrong in the case of the United States airmen imprisoned by China. The problem was to find a solution so as to remove "a very great barrier" in the way of easing tensions. — Reuter.

Sir Robert Arrives Safely

London, July 7.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, 92, arrived shortly after midnight in London by air from Hong Kong.

Sir Robert, who will receive the Order of Knight of the British Empire from the Queen, was carried from the plane in a collapsible wheelchair he had brought along and was wheeled to the Royal Lounge of London Airport.

Five grandchildren and Chinese and Hongkong government officials greeted him. In the Royal Lounge Sir Robert, if his private secretary asked him if he would meet the press and he replied: "It is very hot here. I will sit them outside for a few minutes, please."

To this point Dr Harris said: "I do not have the power to ask the Senate to investigate anything connected with the Board of Prison Terms and Parole."

"However, I can recommend to the Department (of Institutions) to determine the length of sentences and I can report to the Governor to look into the situation," he added.

The second main point was that the Classification and Parole Department "must be reorganized in order to assure that in the future men will not be retained beyond their release date because of official incompetence or negligence. Mr Charles Simon should be relieved pending a complete investigation of this Department."

To this Dr Harris said he would shift Mr Simon's position "pending a complete investigation of the Department, consistent with the merit system (civil service) and respect to the law."

MERITORIOUS?

Dr Harris said a request (inmates insisted their demands be honored) that an inmate Council be established immediately was "meritorious" and actually should solve all the inmates' grievances."

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Hongkong Gloves Production

London, July 6.

Mr John Peyton, a Conservative, asked in the House of Commons today how many gloves—fabric, woolen and leather—were manufactured in Hongkong in each of the last four years.

Mr Henry Hopkinson, Minister of State for the Colonies, replied:

"Estimated production in 1952, 1953 and 1954 was approximately 145,000, 404,000 and 892,000 dozen pairs.

"For the first six months of 1955 the estimate is 860,000 dozen pairs." — Reuter.

Gen. Juin Resignation Denial

Paris, July 6.

Marshal Alphonse Juin, France's top soldier, has not resigned as military adviser to the government, the office of Premier Edgar Faure stated tonight.

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DOG COMMITS SUICIDE

Vienna, July 6.

Police reported here that an Alsatian dog seemed to have committed suicide after realising that he had endangered his six-year-old mistress's life.

The girl, Helga Jellinek, was asleep when the chained dog loosened the rubber pipe of the gas oven. Her parents were out but neighbours, smelling the gas, burst into the flat in time to rescue her.

Later unchained, the dog suddenly jumped through the third floor kitchen window which the neighbours had opened and was killed instantly. — China Mail Special.

MARSHAL JUIN

He has resigned from the

special co-ordinating committee

which plans French action in

North Africa.

Usually reliable sources said his resignation resulted from serious differences on French policy in Morocco.

The Premier's office, however, emphasized that he remains the government's military adviser. — Reuter.

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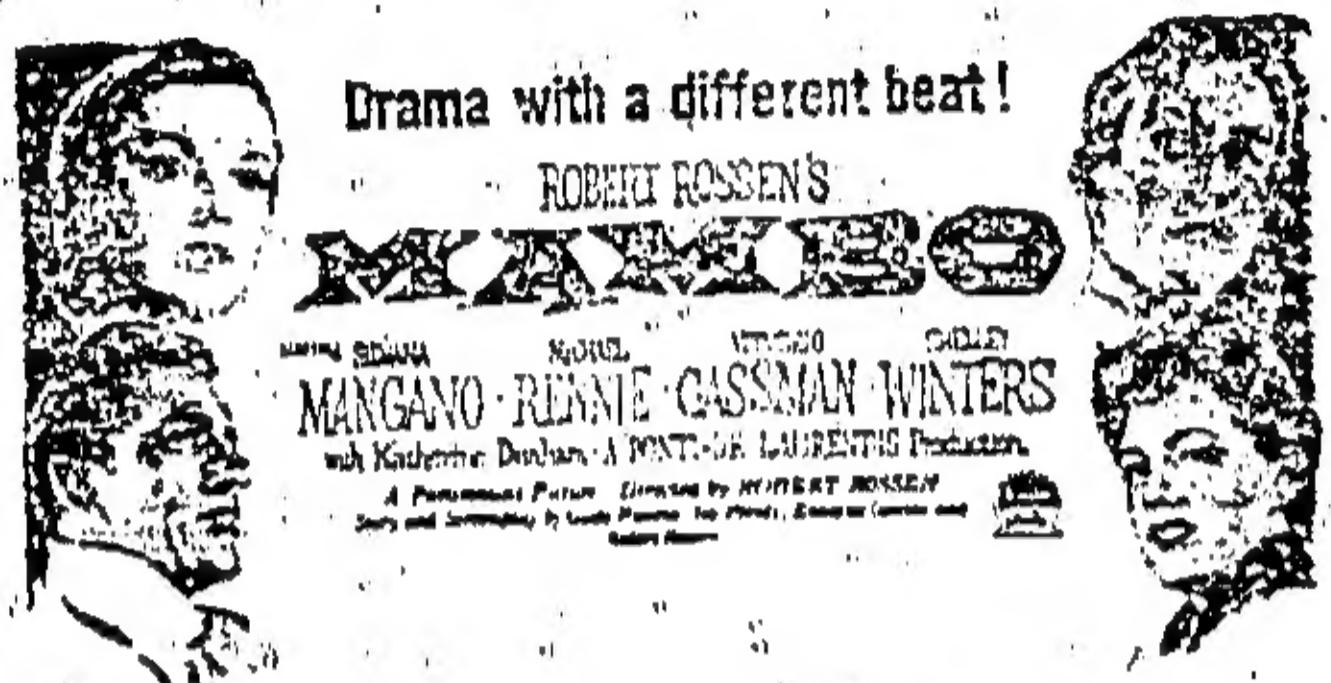
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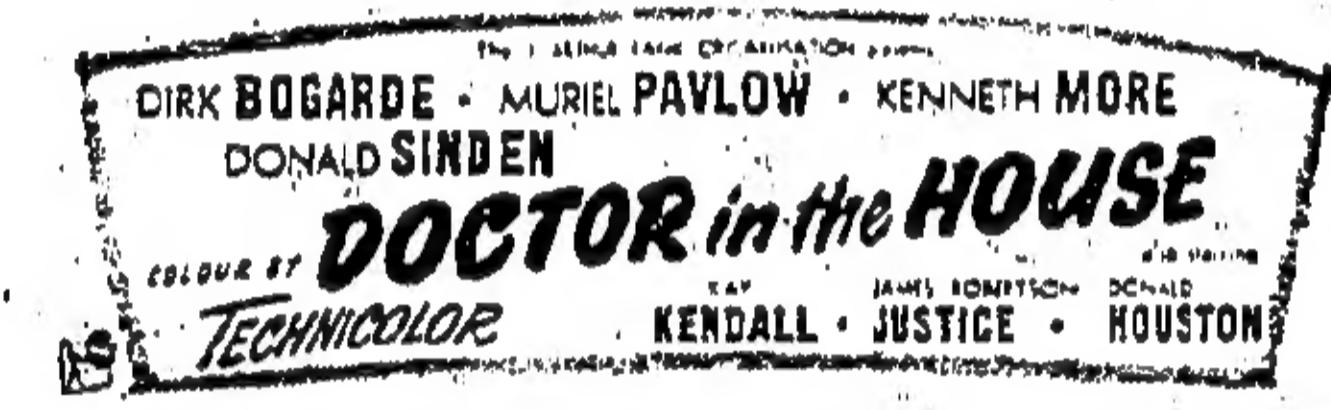
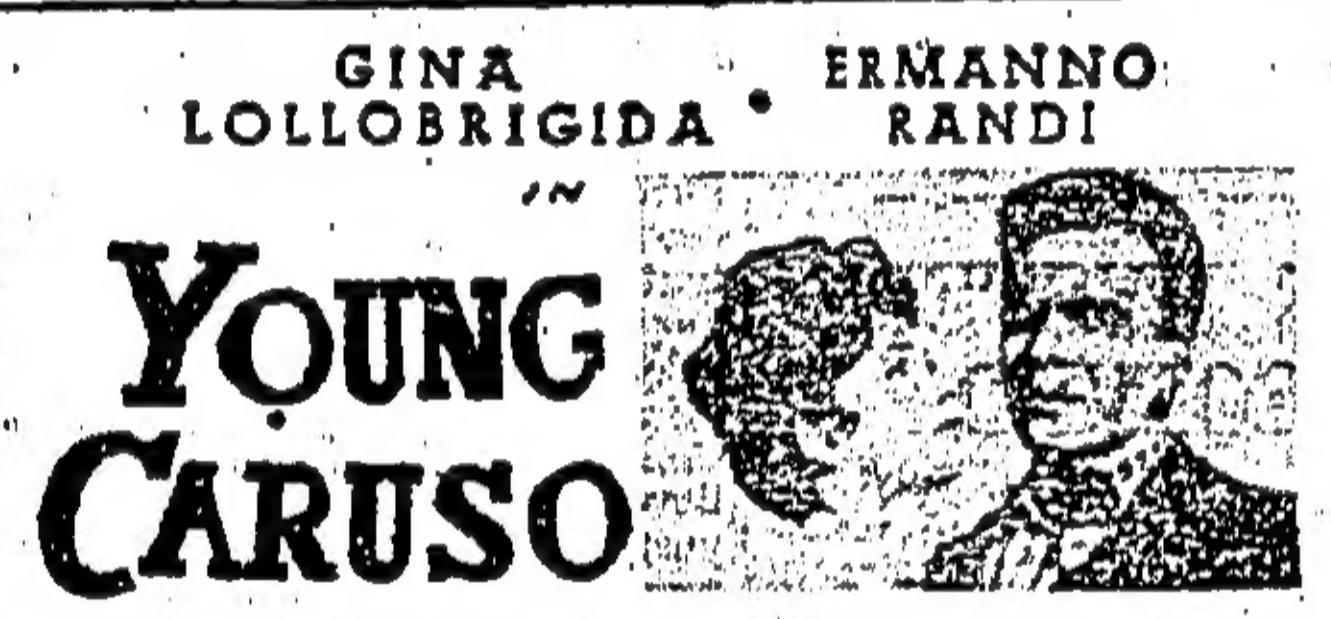
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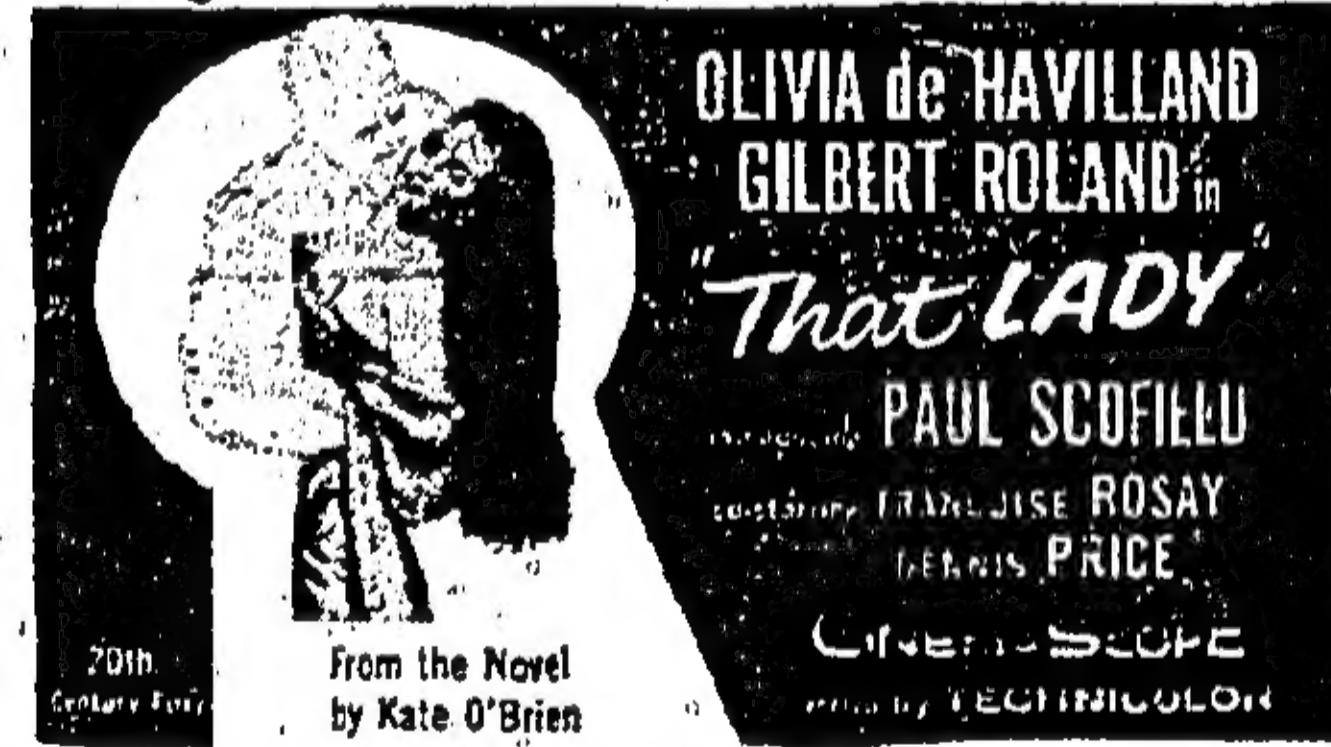
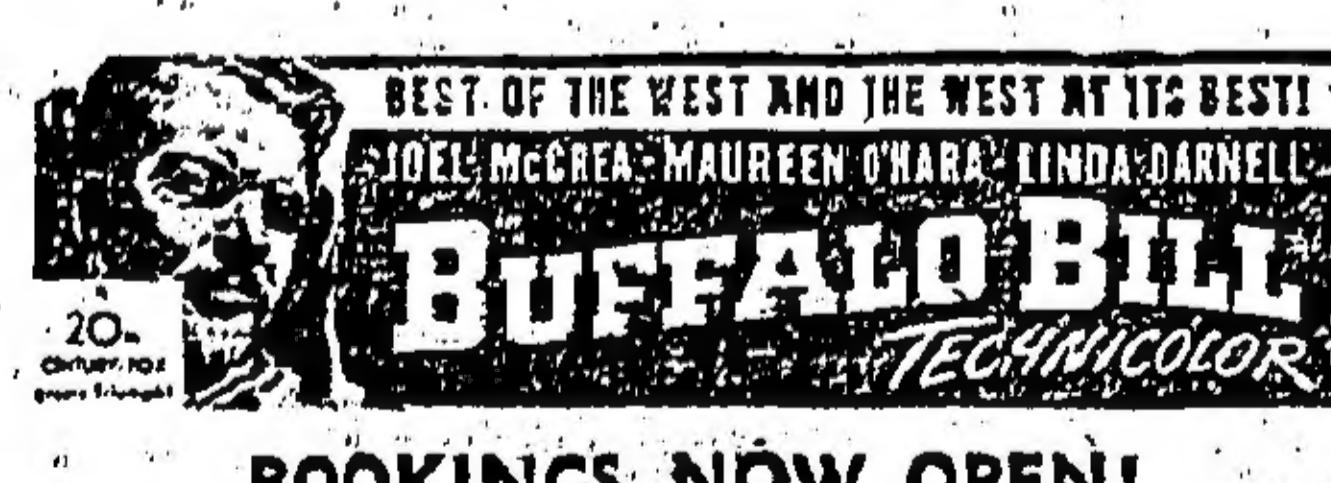
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Franco-Tunisian Agreements Ratification

Paris, July 6. M. Edgar Faure, French Premier, is expected to gain an easy victory in the debate which opened today on ratification of the Franco-Tunisian agreements providing for internal autonomy for the North African Protectorate.

Both the Defence and Foreign Affairs Committees voted favourable reports today on the agreements which have been hammered out during the 12 laborious months—after the promise of home rule made last July by former Premier Pierre Mendes-France.

M. Mendes-France was overthrown in February on his North African policies but his successor, M. Faure, carried through the tricky negotiations with the Tunisian leaders to a successful conclusion.

GAULLIST OPPONENTS
M. Faure is expected easily to overcome the adjournment motions put forward by Gaullist opponents of the agreements.

Support of Socialists and Popular Republicans has assured the Government of victory. Some Gaullists and Conservatives will vote against ratification but the Communists will probably abstain.

The debate was adjourned until tomorrow to allow the National Defence Commission to report on the project.

The final vote is expected late on Friday night. So far 14 Deputies have put their names down to speak and M. Mendes-France and former Foreign Minister Georges Bidault will probably take part.

Meanwhile the National Defence Committee voted to recommend ratification by 13 votes to 7 with five abstentions. General Joseph de Goislard de Monsabert, Gaullist reporter for

Treatment Of Prisoners

Washington, July 6.

The Senate today approved four treaties designed to establish a pattern of international conduct towards prisoners of war and civilians captured by an enemy.

The pacts, already ratified by the Soviet Union and 47 other nations, were negotiated at Geneva in 1948.

The treaties deal separately with the status of prisoners of war, civilians, wounded and sick military personnel and sick and shipwrecked members of the armed services at sea.

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LORD JOWITT
TOO MUCH
IMMUNITY

London, July 6.
Lord Jowitt, a former Labour Lord Chancellor, told the House of Lords last night that the extension in Britain of diplomatic immunities for foreign organisations "was becoming rather a scandal."

"The only people I know who are not subject to diplomatic immunity at present are the South African cricketers," he said, adding, "and they are much better entitled to it than many who have it."

He warned the Government that he would start a campaign against the extension of diplomatic immunity in the autumn unless something was done about it.—China Mail Special.

TURKISH PILOTS GRANTED ASYLUM

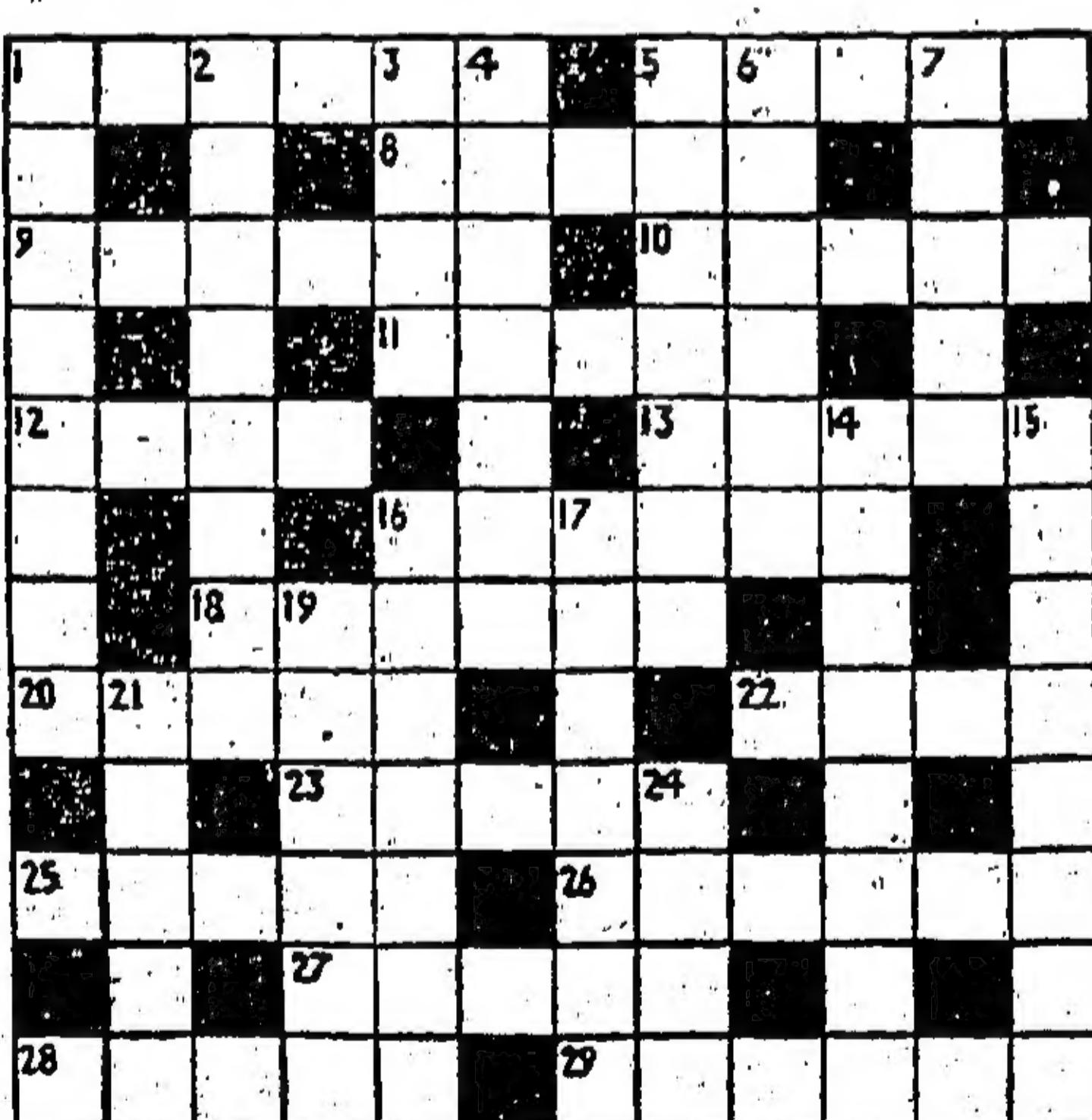
Sofia, July 5.
TWO Turkish civilian pilots who landed their bi-motored transport plane on an airfield near the Bulgarian city of Stalin (Varna) on the Black Sea last month have asked for and received political asylum, the Bulgarian News Agency reported today.

The pilots, Sevsi Ahmed Guegenciz and Satek Silman Songom landed on June 3 in a plane of the Turkish civilian airline company of Jurkoch according to the Agency.

On June 22, it continued, the Turkish Legation at Sofia asked that the plane be returned, and the Bulgarian Government granted visas to two other Turkish pilots so that they could enter the country to fly the plane back.

Describing the background of the two refugees, the communiqué claimed that they had served for several years in the Turkish Air Force, but had been dismissed in 1950. They then changed jobs several times, were unemployed, and finally joined the Jurkoch company.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Prescribed amount (6).
- 5 Harvest (5).
- 8 Take over (5).
- 9 Clergyman (6).
- 10 Firm (5).
- 11 Haughty (5).
- 12 Way out (4).
- 13 Meditated (5).
- 14 Most recent (5).
- 15 Lessons (6).
- 20 Scrimmage (6).
- 22 Cozy (4).
- 23 Arrears unpaid (5).
- 25 Dress (5).
- 26 Doctrinaire (6).
- 27 Anaesthetic (5).
- 28 Joins closely (5).
- 29 Classification (6).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Able, 7 Stoop, 8 Acid, 9 Grip, 10 Prepare, 12 Stem, 15 Elite, 18 Stop, 19 Linen, 21 Ripe, 22 Bend, 23 Erect, 26 Lens, 28 Estimate, 30 Neat, 31 Diva, 32 Essay, 33 Game Down: 1 Story, 2 Complete, 4 Bent, 5 Eats, 6 Lime, 8 Grip, 11 Alone, 13 Tend, 14 Mant, 16 Elect, 17 Oral, 18 Spin, 20 Intense, 22 Rest, 24 Bedlam, 27 Knit, 28 Snag.

Suicide Troops Attack Vietnam Government Forces

ARMY BOGGING DOWN IN COCHIN-CHINA

Saigon, July 6.

The Vietnamese High Command reported today that the National Army has killed or accepted the surrender of 1,234 Hoa Hao sect rebels in violent fighting yesterday in western Cochinchina where fanatic General Ba Cut used "suicide" troops to save the main portion of his army.

Reports filtering in from the rugged "wild west" of Vietnam said that heavy monsoon rains had turned the rice paddies of the area into vast swamps in which the army's equipment was bogging down.

The High Command said that 247 rebels were killed in yesterday's battle while 160 were captured and 827 voluntarily swore their allegiance to Premier Ngo Dinh Diem. Diem's troops, Government losses were not announced.

MEETING

Here in Saigon, attention focused on the meeting which should be held between Mr Diem's Government and the Communist Vietnamese before July 20, according to the Geneva peace agreement.

EX-ENEMY ASSETS IN CEYLON

Colombo, July 6.
Nationals of Japan, Germany and other ex-enemy countries had property valued at 1,525,800 rupees on September 30 in 1954, in trust with Ceylon's Public Trustee, according to a trustee's administration report issued here today.

Japanese nationals have 1,053,121 rupees lying with the Trustee in Ceylon whilst German nationals have 456,298 rupees.

The report said that the Ceylon Government was taking action to release Japanese assets in accordance with the peace treaty signed with Japan.—France-Press.

Soviet Union Now Open To Tourists

Moscow, July 6.
The Kremlin has decided to throw open the borders of the Soviet Union to tourist travel.

For the first time since before World War II, a number of Soviet cities will be open to American and other tourists in what apparently will be a big effort to encourage foreign travellers.

(This move has long been expected. Since the death of Stalin, preparations appear to have been under way to make certain selected areas of the Soviet Union ready for tourism. Many news correspondents and specially invited delegations of foreigners already have covered the tourist itinerary, which apparently will include the storied old cities of Soviet Central Asia, the Caucasus, the Ukraine and the Central Russian Republic.)

THE AIM?

The aim of the Soviet Government appears to be to contribute to its current campaign of slackening international tensions.

Western travel agents already are in Moscow making arrangements for tourist travel, which is expected to begin late in August or early in September. Travel agents from Norway, Sweden and Britain have been inspecting the facilities of Moscow hotels, and have told correspondents they were doing so in order to recommend accommodations to their clients.

A tourist agent from New York also is in Moscow with the visiting American chess team and has indicated he plans to make similar arrangements.

However, there is no hint yet of any change in the currency exchange rate. At present the ruble is quoted officially at 25 cents, which would make travel for tourists in the Soviet Union extremely expensive. In the past the Soviet tourist agency, Intourist, has offered a special plan under which tourists could pay a total of \$19 a day in their own currencies for accommodations, meals, sightseeing, and local transportation.—Associated Press.

Lion Has Pup For A Pal



Spot, a mongrel puppy from Bilston, Staffordshire, lives in a cage with a LION. The lion, six-months-old Peter, plays all day with Spot; shares his meals with her. At night they cuddle up for warmth.

Their owner, Mr William Cole, recently sold Spot. Peter turned savage; threw himself snarling and spitting at the bars of his cage. They were hastily reunited.—Express Photo.

Mohammed Ali Rebuffed

Murree, Pakistan, July 6.
Members of the Moslem League in Pakistan's Constituent Assembly today rebuffed Mr Mohammed Ali, the Prime Minister, by deferring until the end of the month the election of their leader.

Mr Ali is the only candidate for leadership of the League in the Assembly. As President of the National Moslem League he will be "acting" Party leader when the newly elected Assembly meets at this Punjabi hill resort tomorrow.

A senior Party member told reporters after the secret meeting of the Party caucus that the decision was influenced by the threat of Mr Husain Shaheed Subrahmanyam as Law Minister in the present caretaker government unless he is made Prime Minister.

REFUSE SUPPORT

He has also threatened that his influential Awami League will refuse decisive support for controversial constitutional proposals unless he gets the Premiership.

Many Moslem League members feel that Subrahmanyam is the man most capable of steering the constitutional proposals, of which he is the main architect, through the Assembly.

Royal Family At Polo



Princess Anne arrives on Smith's Lawn to watch a polo match.—United Press Photo.

Re-Export Of Jap Cloth

BAN CALLED BY FEDERATION

Ostend, July 6.

The International Federation of Cotton and Allied Textile Industries decided here tonight to ask European national federations to agree to ban the re-export of finished Japanese grey cloth.

Mr M. Ludwig, British director of the International Federation, said at the end of the six-day meeting tonight it was hoped that "a network of agreement" could be reached between European federations on the ban.

The International Federation had previously asked the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation (OEEC) to request European governments to take a similar move. But the OEEC said such a decision could only be taken by the national federations.

SEPARATE AGREEMENTS

The ban would now have to be achieved by separate agreements between each of the national federations. The German and Swiss federations had already reached such an agreement, while talks were now under way between Belgium and Holland for a similar decision, he said.

The Federation expressed a wish that Japan would again become a member as she was before the war and accepted Portugal as a new member.

The meeting, attended by delegates from 15 countries, also welcomed the agreement reached between the Liverpool Cotton Association and the Alexandria Cotton Exporters Association, allowing Liverpool to arbitrate disputes over exports of Egyptian cotton to Britain. Mr Ludwig said the Federation sincerely hopes that similar agreements will be reached between Egypt and other European countries in the very near future.

The Federation's Raw Cotton Merchants Committee had been pleased to hear that the United States Cotton Council and other American organisations were making efforts to improve the present sole covering of cotton which now arrived at mills in a "most dilapidated state," he said.

The Committee had "strongly urged" the Council to fine

Pontecorvo In Print



Moscow, July 6.

The name of Professor Bruno Pontecorvo, who disappeared from England five years ago, when engaged in secret atomic research and now holds Russian citizenship, appeared for the first time in the Soviet "Academy of Science reports," published during the Moscow conference on the peaceful use of atomic energy which ended yesterday.

His name is appended to two articles, in collaboration with Soviet scientists G. I. Savchenko and A. Reut, S. M. Kozachenko and Marshal Zhukov, now Soviet Defence Minister.

BASIC ISSUES

"It is here in Germany, where the basic issues are clear, that the integrity and goodwill of the victorious Allies are being put to the acid test," Mr Eisenhower was quoted as saying.

"Let us never forget how during the War we all spoke about peace and freedom—a hopeful world—is watching us here in the hub of Europe, watching for a genuine indication of our generosity of our ability to compromise and settle issues of far-reaching consequences." —Reuter.

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Rollicking Ike Hints At Running Again

New York, Tuesday. PRESIDENT Eisenhower is preparing for the Geneva conference with almost electric exuberance. During his few days in New England — after the strenuous flight to San Francisco and back within 48 hours — he was actually rollicking, and rollicking is the word.

He joked and teased and made fun of his Cabinet. He hinted that he was going to run again for the Presidency. He deflated the hopes of his party, the Republicans, then inflated them again.

He played the best games of golf he has ever done and he did not forget before leaving for Washington to write little notes of appreciation to his hosts.

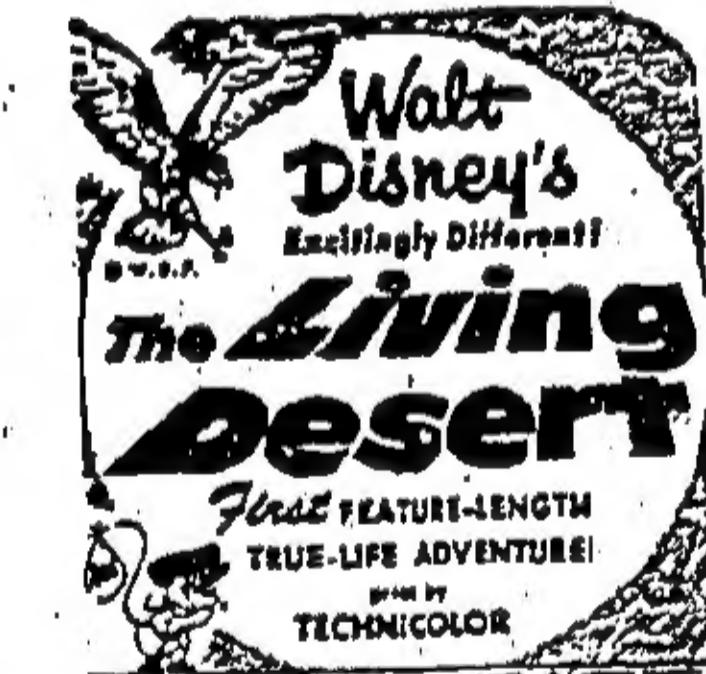
The President had never looked happier. His proudest new possession, after the dream house in Gettysburg, is the small twin-engined plane which he now uses to hop between the White House and his farm in Pennsylvania.

He uses the big four-engined Presidential plane, the Columbine III, only for long-distance journeys.

Air travel

GENERAL Eisenhower is the only President of the United States to use a plane with fewer than four engines while in office. Even Macmillan, who used to dash and fear flying, has become air-minded.

The President's hectic cavalcade in New Hampshire — I remember covering the first vital primary there yet — the Eisenhower ball rolling three years ago — makes the experts believe that Mr. Eisenhower will run again.

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The incredible thing is that Dwight Eisenhower today has almost no opponents and only one enemy — Senator Joseph McCarthy. The President has practically got the solid backing of Congress for what he does, or fails to do in Geneva.

McCarthy made his one big blunder and bobbled the President by trying to challenge Eisenhower's conduct of U.S. foreign policy. He failed miserably.

Even Senator William Knowland would not join in the criticism of Eisenhower, and McCarthy and his old friend Senator Karl Mundt have parted company.

A year ago the junior Senator from Wisconsin was at the pinnacle of his fame and power. Today Joseph McCarthy is a very small-time Senator who rarely rates public and Press attention.

Perhaps the fall of McCarthy is one of the reasons for the President's exuberant spirits.

Spontaneous smile, Mr. Molotov's have appeared rather lately. While he attracted a lot of fascinated attention here and in San Francisco and still wears the trapping of the Foreign Minister of a Stalin, his power has obviously dwindled.

He tries to speak with the old ruthlessness, one minute, wearing the forced grin and the ten-gallon cowboy hat the next. He has pretended that a great change in Russia has not taken place, but has convinced no one.

Gangs again

MOLOTOV has been in New York when the city has been blackening its reputation with another crime wave. This new series of teen-age gang murders has made New Yorkers angry and anxious.

Some people are saying foolishly: "Puerto Ricans should never have been allowed to come here in the first place. They should stay in their own country, we don't want them."

The Puerto Ricans, as United States citizens, can arrive or leave here at will without visa (unlike British correspondents). Four hundred thousand have descended on Upper Manhattan, near Harlem, and the West Side during the past few years.

Not all the teen-age gangs are Puerto Rican. There are Italian mobs, Polish groups, Negro gangs, and quite a few include native Americans and Irish-American hoodlums. They all are lumped under the name juvenile delinquents.

The chief inspector of the police department, Stephen Kennedy, says: "There will be no holds-barred crackdown." J. Edgar Hoover, the head of the FBI, says: "This is the season of the year when a tidal wave of violence must be expected to break upon the American scene."

This teen-age crime is New York City's biggest problem. But I must say a tremendous drive for reform. The Federal Government has offered to turn over Ellis Island to the city's alcoholics and drug addicts so that they can be treated there.

The amazing organisation Alcoholics Anonymous, which has done more than anyone or anything to help the drunkard, has held its 20th anniversary in St. Louis. Fifteen thousand delegates from 50 countries attended the anniversary.

Jack Dempsey

THE other day for no good reason he insulted Don Cockell. He said: "Fighting Olsen, the middle-weight champion, I drew more money than Marciano did with his ten-cent English challenger Don Cockell and I assure everyone that I will show Rocky more fight than Cockell."

I dropped in at Jack Dempsey's restaurant on Broadway the other day and the old champion, who has just celebrated his 60th birthday, says that the Marciano-Moore fight will be a terrific bout.

Dempsey added to my sorrow: "I happen to think Moore would have taken Cockell in one or two rounds."

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Did it Happen?

MANY motorists whodars was escapism the easy way. "Have to get nearer, boy," I

Glasgow and the city streets whispered.

the bonnie, bonnie banks of Loch

Lomond will remember the cottage.

Along that winding road from Balloch towards the north, with the sudden turns, with sheer sweeping rock faces on one side and a slender line of white railings marking the deep drop into the dark waters of the loch, it is perched above one of the worst corners.

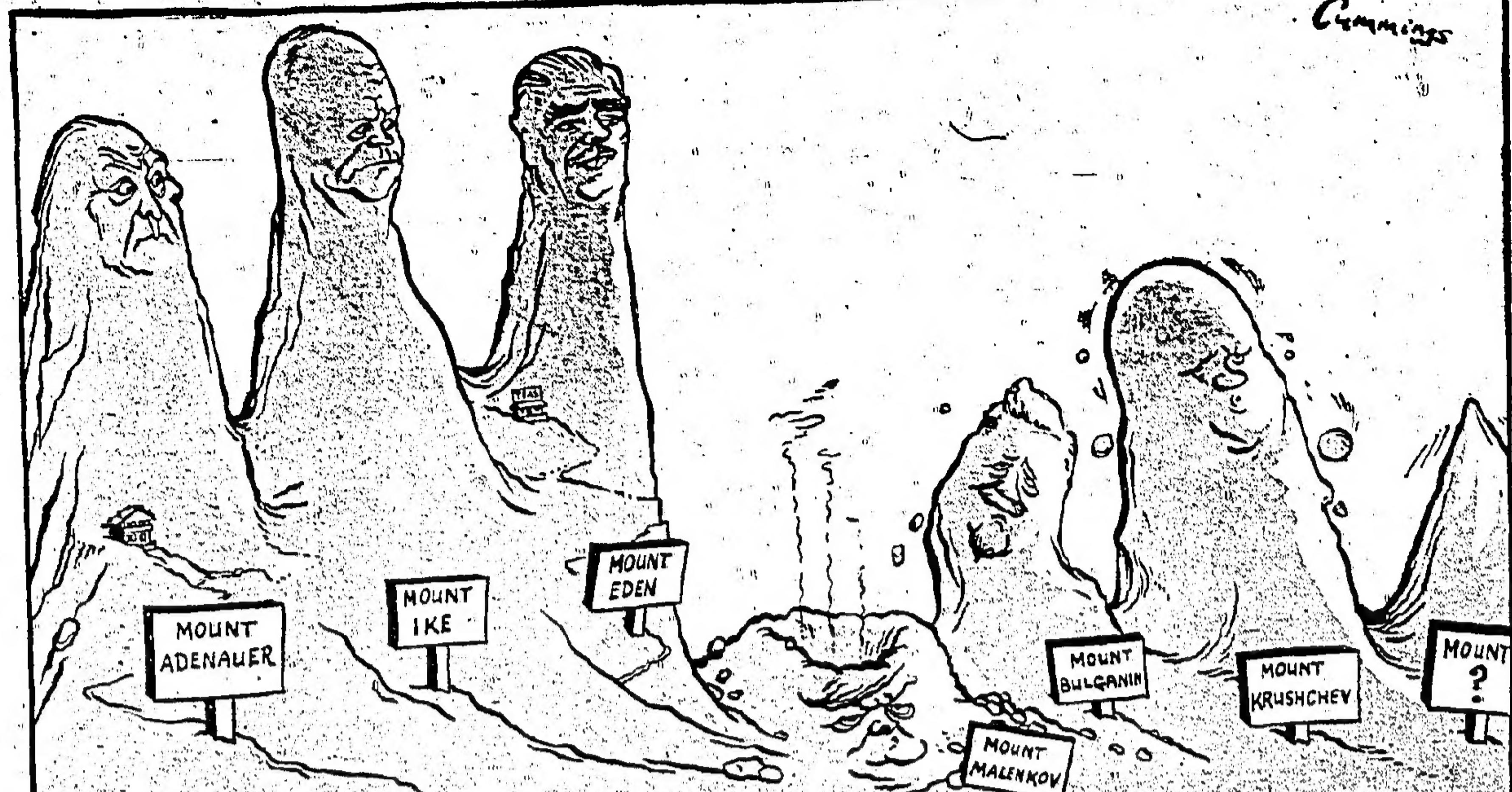
The spot is called Firkin Toll, and when my family came into possession it was promptly nicknamed Drummond's Folly by our friends.

Shelving beach

The skidding, the furious braking and gear-changing of innocent passing strangers kept our visitors awake during the summer holidays until the early hours. Then the peering headlights through our windows slackened off.

Yet the view over the steep shelving beach across the loch to Ben Lomond, to my mind is one of the finest in the world. To lie in a deck-chair in the sun, unspacious, but his antlers merged and blended with the tracerу of shrub and small trees growing above him. Hard to

watch the deer foraging on the opposite slopes through binocu-

THE PINNACLES OF DIPLOMACY . . .**IT'S ALL A QUESTION OF SUMMITS****Hans Took the High Road**

THEN I saw his binoculars and Devon Daven took him down to the Admiralty torpedo testing range in the Gareloch.

DRAWING BY SHOWELL

and face down. Then I saw his binoculars and beyond them strongly suspect down to the Admiralty torpedo testing range in the Gareloch.

The Navy was there several years ago, but I became interested, too, in the erratic movements of the underwater object, which was behaving in the depths like a swollen-headed ice-skater showing off to his friends at the local rink. Figures of eight, circles, leaps and plunges. Only from the hill-top could the performance have been witnessed in detail. Many burns pour their pale-brown waters into the side door.

I slipped on my dangle leather jacket the way to the lock-up at the top. Then I opened the door. We had heard out of one of my snare, but he sat up growling, a split second before the heavy knocking on the side door.

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"It is very wet. My fire will not light. I saw your smoke. Please could I have some boiling water in this?"

Every damp day from April to September we expected this kind of request. Sometimes trappers from Glasgow and elsewhere, when they saw a smile, hopefully talked about the shortage of tea in their proffered pots. The stranger was content with hot water. He went his way...

Weeks later I was in London, in a certain dive bar not a million miles from Scotland Yard. I was "wedding" my Sub-Lieutenant's ring, recently won at HMS King Alfred.

In walked a Special Branch officer, a fellow Scot with a reporter I had known for many years. The latter was bemused by his frustrating assignment covering the current session of the Old Bailey. So many espionage cases were being held in camera.

"One of them they caught in your neck of the woods, Jock, got his lot today. But no details."

The Special Branch man looked wistfully into his pint mug when I asked: "Where?"

He did not answer. Instead he began to whistle a tune softly. The words begin: "By you bonnie banks, and by you bonnie braes..."

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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Here's How To Win
At Bridge Table

By OSWALD JACOBY

If you think that East and West bid with supreme optimism in today's hand, I'll agree with you. They managed to convince South that they could make a vulnerable game contract. So he decided to "sacrifice" in one of his five card major suits.

South was Benjamin Mitchell, one of New York's fine players. Fulfilling the doubled contract helped Mitchell win the mixed pair championship in the recent Eastern States Tournament.

West opened a trump, hoping to reduce dummy's ruffing power. Dummy held the first trick with the eight of hearts, and Mitchell immediately led dummy's singleton spade. East

NORTH	4
♦ 9	
♦ Q 8 5	
♦ A 8 5 3	
♦ 8 7 4 3	
WEST	EAST
♦ A J 8 6	♦ 7 3 2
♦ 10 5 2	♦ J 4
♦ K J 9 4	♦ Q 10 6
♦ A Q	♦ K J 10 9 5
SOUTH (D)	
♦ K Q 10 5 4	
♦ A K 7 6 3	
♦ 7 2	
♦ 6	
East-West vul.	
South West	North East
1 ♠	1 N.T.
Pass	Pass
Pass	Double Pass
Opening lead—♦ 2	

naturally played low, and declarer made the key decision when he played a low card from the South hand.

West won with the jack of Spades, and returned another trump. As planned, this reduced dummy to one trump that could be used for ruffing.

South won the second trump in his own hand and led the king of spades. West played the king of spades. South continued from the dummy since there was no doubt in his mind about the location of the ace of spades. South continued with the queen of spades. West covered with the ace, and dummy ruffed. It was now easy for declarer to return to his hand to draw the last trump and cash the rest of the spades.

If South had put up the king or queen of spades at the second trick he would have lost his game contract. West would have taken the ace of spades and would have returned a trump. South would not be able to set up the spades and would make only nine tricks.

W-CARD Sense 4

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West 1 Spade Pass 2 Clubs Pass 2 Diamonds Pass? You, South, hold: ♠ A ♦ 8 3 ♦ 7 5 ♦ K J 10 6 5 3 What do you do?

A—Bid three clubs. You are not very happy with your hand, but the situation is forcing except for the kind of hand given yesterday. In this case your strong club suit should take care of you.

TODAY'S QUESTION The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:

What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

Beachcomber On Holiday

Beachcomber, the humorist, is on his summer vacation. His popular column, "By The Way," will be resumed as soon as he gets back.

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YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, JULY 7

BORN today, you are a natural businessman although your major interests are in the cultural arts and professions. You are original and individual in your approach to things and are a natural leader, rather than one who remains content to follow the conventional pattern.

You are not as strong physically as you seem to think you are and often work much too hard for too long without stopping for rest and relaxation. All work as you must know, can cause a serious breakdown. You are inclined also, to worry too much about what might happen. If you can't do something to prevent what you are worrying about, stop thinking about it and never cry over what is past!

FRIDAY, JULY 8

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—A fine day for all cultural, literary and intellectual pursuits. All your ideas should be good ones.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Your mental attitude toward life can serve to forward your ambitions. Make excellent progress.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—The stars are smiling on your plans. Everything should be working out favourably and advantageously.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 22)—If a new idea appears to be practical, then now is the time to put it into operation.

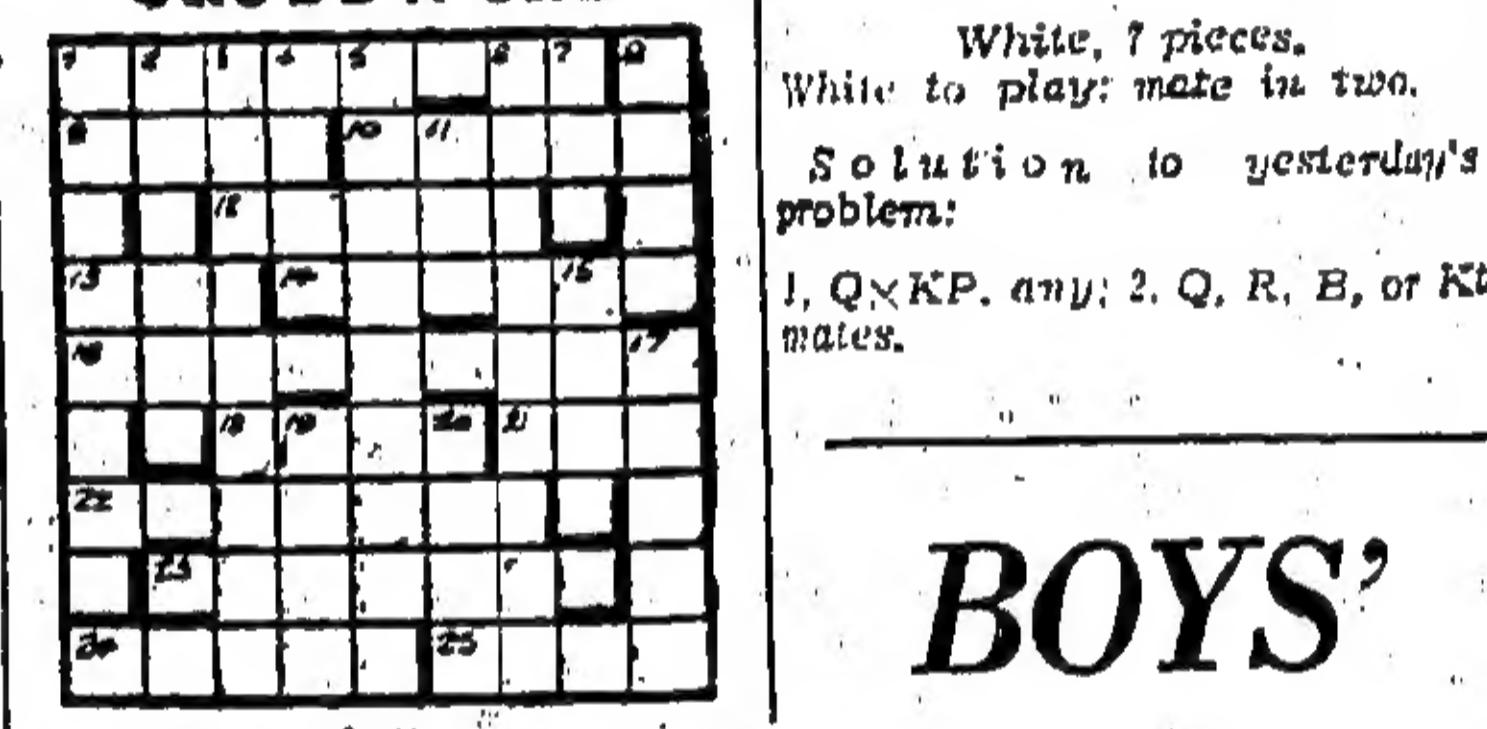
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—You will just show the correct degree of co-operation, this is one of your really winning days.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—You can get a real sense of pleasure at the end of the day if you have finished an important job.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—This is one of those times when brainpower can save musclework for you! Plan a social evening.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)—Although business before

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CHESS PROBLEM

By C. GOLDSCHMIEDING

Black, 7 pieces.

This autumn "contour" suit with a Paris trend is in a mixture of worsted and angora. The double-breasted long-line jacket has an unusual centre panel and fits snugly at the hips. The loose sleeves are three-quarter length and finished with a deep cuff. The skirt is pleated all round. —(London Express Service)



WOMANSENSE CURE FOR JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

San Francisco Conferences are called to in love with his own reflection WORK is the cure for study the problem. Forums which he saw in the water of a fountain. He pinned away in the United States, according held. All come to the conference to Mr Abraham C. Novick, conclusion that juvenile delinquency is a problem.

Many of the expensive efforts in the United States to provide numerous half measures were a waste, Mr Novick said. In an address to delegates attending the National Conference of Social Work.

Emphasising the increase in juvenile delinquency in the United States, he said: "Unfortunately, periods of hysteria do not produce well-thought-out plans for solving problems but tend to create fear, anxiety and a convenient medium to express hostility."

Although adults concerned with youth in the United States devoted considerable time and effort to finding a cure for the problem, little had been accomplished so far.

"Better facilities and living conditions are important because they affect the dignity of the individual. They help to eliminate the economic deterioration and deprivations which are characteristic of so many of our delinquent homes and which so very often contribute to family disorganisation."

"Neither do restrictive measures such as curfew, censorship of reading matter, television, film and radio programmes prevent delinquency. They merely have an effect upon the manner in which delinquency will be expressed."

"In the public eye today," he said, "juvenile delinquency is alternately the direct result of progressive education, horror comics, TV programmes, permissiveness of parents, and other pet peeves of our present society."

"The child with a strong character defect will find it very difficult to establish such a relationship because of his inability to maintain a contact which will endure frustration."

"His needs are on a narcissistic and infantile level, requiring the total love, interest and concern of the adult. The degree to which this relationship can be established will determine the success of his re-education."

(1) Recreation must be provided for small groups and be conducted with "warm and understanding leadership."

(2) Housing centres must be equipped with special management centres, staffed with specialists, to provide "parent education" programmes.

(3) School teachers, who have the children almost as many hours as their parents must have "warmth, interest, concern, patience, and ingenuity." —China Mail Special.

It May Not Be Singing, But It Makes Him Sleep

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

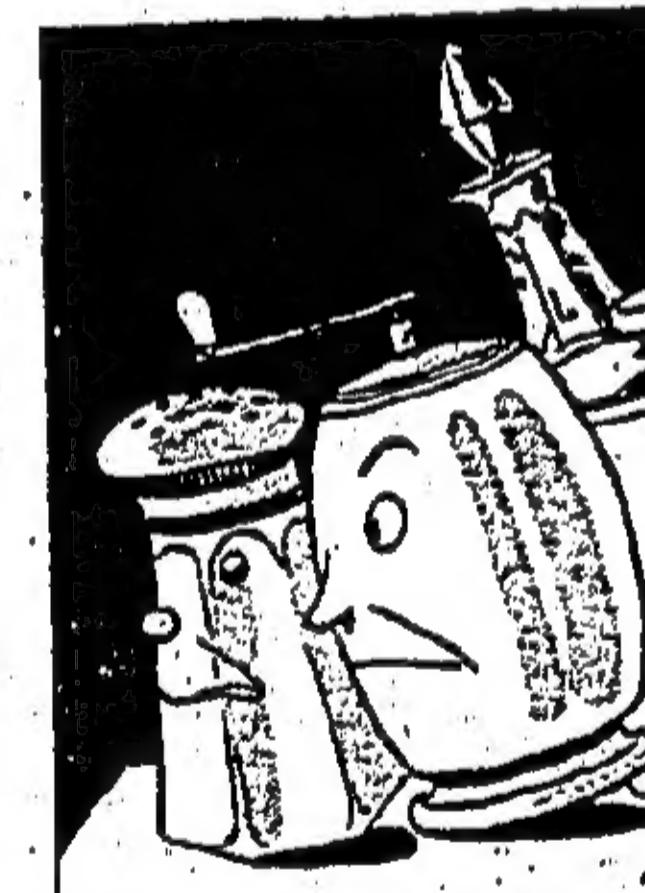
DON'T hustle your baby off to bed right after his final feeding. Your haste to get rid of him for the night may make him restless.

Some youngsters don't seem to mind this abrupt brushoff, but others cry and fret and let you know they think they've been mistreated. If your baby takes a half hour or longer to get sleep, it's a pretty good sign that he should be quieted down before being whisked off to slumberland. This is especially true of excitable babies.

Rock him a little in your arms, or sing softly to him if you like. You don't have to be good. He won't know whether you are carrying the tune or not, but he'll appreciate the affection it displays. If you have a phonograph, put on some "soothing" music—wood-

rock, a lullaby, or a lullaby on tip-toes, but don't make any unnecessary noise either. Your baby must become accustomed to ordinary sounds around the home.

One more thing. Try to put him to bed about the same time each evening. Then leave him alone.



"Push back these foolish fellows!" cried Salt.

"Mind you don't lean all over me again! I don't want to

spill over the tablecloth or

(what's worse!) fall off the table! And thank you, Knarf and Hanid!"

"You're welcome, Salt!" Knarf said.

"Hush!" said Vinegar suddenly.

"Here comes the family for dinner!"

Knarf and Hanid hurriedly climbed down off the table.

Salt, Pepper, Vinegar, Mustard,

the fork, the knife and the spoon all stood perfectly still.

The family never knew what

had just happened on top of the



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There must be

at least one letter

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No plurals, no foreign

words, no proper names.

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BRITISH GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Scott, Rees And Brown Share Leading Place With Scores Of 69

St. Andrews, Scotland, July 6.

A thrilling opening round today marked the start of the 72 holes for the British Open Golf Championship, on the famous Old Course here.

Late in the afternoon three British players, Sid Scott, Dai Rees and Eric Brown, were locked together in leading place with scores of 69.

Only a stroke behind was a group which included triple ex-holder Henry Cotton, Dennis Smalldon, former Champion of Wales, Bernard Hunt, one of Britain's younger stars, Cecil Denny and Frank Jowle, leader of yesterday's 94 qualifiers. All were home players.

There are three more rounds to play and after one more tomorrow a maximum of 50

players will contest the final 36 holes on Friday.

Peter Thomson, Australia's holder of the Open title, returned 71, a mark shared by a dozen players, among them Ed Furgol, the American Ex-Champion, and one of the favourites to win today.

Furgol might have had a lower score but for a six at

the fifth where he was bunkered and three putts at the 17th. A HOMERUN 35

Scott went out today in 34 and like Cotton played the loop splendidly. A homeward 35 put him in front.

Rees did not have a five on his card today and only just failed with a three yards putt for a three at the 18th, when seeming likely to finish in 68.

Lodge started the hard way. He was never happy with his golf and admitted afterwards that he had to fight for his 74.

Brown opened brilliantly by holing an eight yards putt and went out in 33. He slipped a little on the way back but did not get rattled and finished with three par fours for his 69.

Altogether it was a good day for British golf with home players in the first eight places. First overseas men were Thomson, Furgol, Flory Van Donck (Belgium) and R. Barbieri (Argentina).

LEADING SCORES

Leading scores at the end of today's first round were:

69: Sid Scott (Cardiff), Dai Rees (South Herts), and Eric Brown (Buchanan Park).

70: Frank Jowle (Edgbaston), Denis Smalldon (Cardiff), Henry Cotton (Temple), Bernard Hunt (Hartsbourne Manor), Cecil Denny (North Middlesex) and J. Martin (Woodcote Park);

71: Harry Weetman (Croydon), Peter Thomson (Australia), R. Halsall (Royal Birkdale), Flory Van Donck (Belgium), J. S. Anderson (Bruntcliffe Links), Ken Bousfield (Loombe Hill), S. Barbieri (Argentina), Ed Furgol (United States), J. R. M. Jacobs (Sandy Lodge), Norman Sutton (Exeter) and Christy O'Connor (Bundown).

72: Michael Smith (Oxford University skipper next season), for his assault on the Surrey bowling. Smith gave a stern defensive display after his century in the Varsity match and Lester came down heavily on anything loose.

They added 128 for the third wicket in little more than 2½ hours before Smith was dismissed.

Lester defied the Surrey attack for five hours and his 143, which included two sixes and 14 fours, was the highest score of his career.

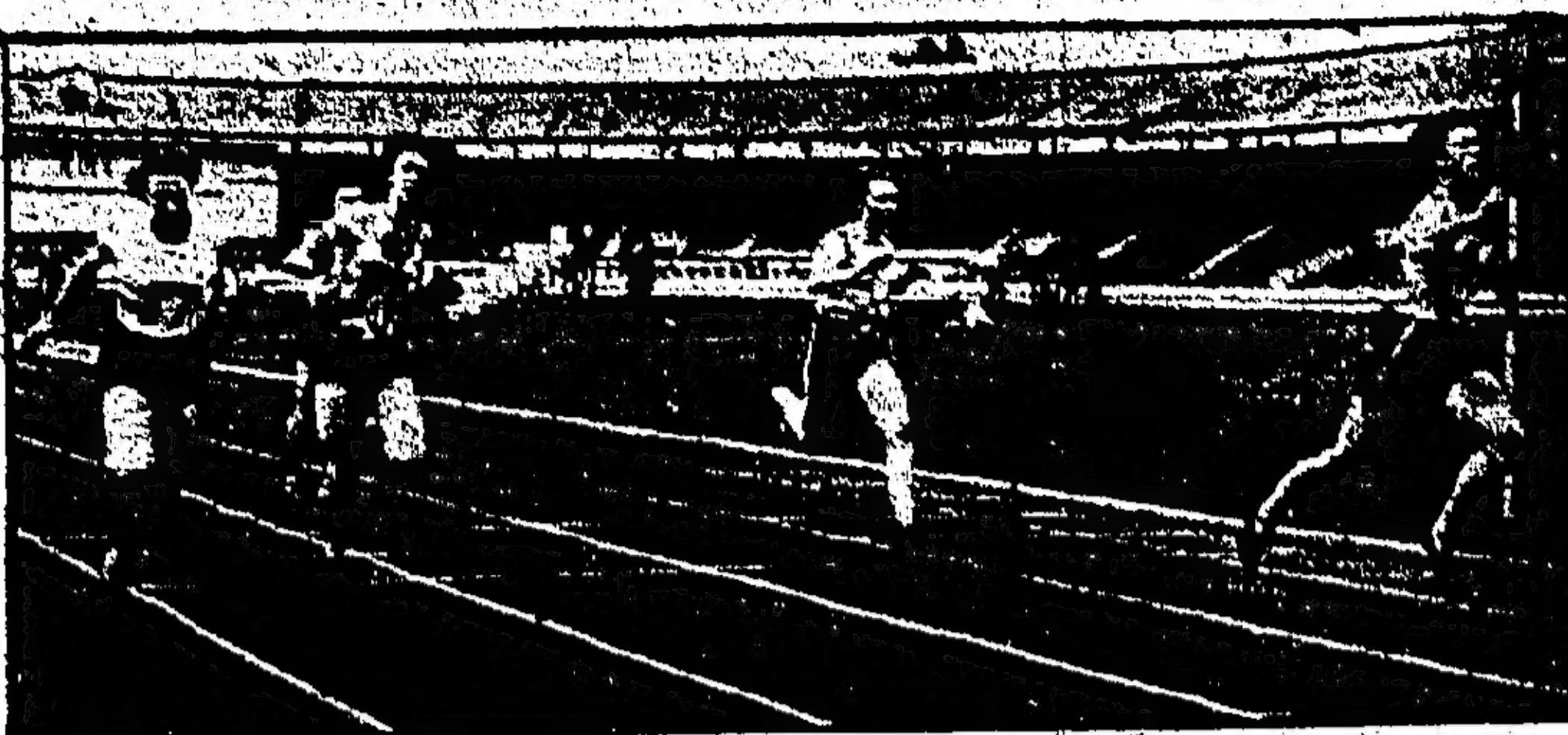
To miss his maiden century in first-class cricket. He was bowled when only one run short; but helped Worcestershire to run up 284 against Kent at Worcester.

Doug Wright, the former England leg break bowler, took five for 95—one of the day's best bowling performances—but Kent were in trouble with 86 for three at the close.

A FIELD DAY

Batsmen had a field day and in the seven County Champion-

BRITISH RECORD FALLS



Margaret Francis (Manchester University AC), No. 16, extreme right, winning the 100 Yards final in 10.8 secs, a new British record, at the Women's Amateur Athletic Association Championships at the White City Stadium last Saturday.

Also in the picture are Heather Armitage (Longwood Ladies AC), No. 17, who finished second; Shirley Hampton (Phoenix AC) No. 20, who finished third; and Sheila Hoskin (Spartan Ladies AC), No. 8, fourth.

The previous record of 10.9 secs was set last year by Ann Pashley and Heather Armitage.—Reuterphoto.

ALEC BEDSER BACK IN TEST TEAM, STATHAM UNFIT

London, July 6.

Brian Statham, the scourge of the South Africans at Lord's, is out of the third Test match, starting at Old Trafford, Manchester, tomorrow, but the touring team, who lost the first two Tests, still face a heavy task in the vital third game for Alec Bedser, one of the best bowlers of his generation, will be in the England side.

Only a few balls bowled by Statham on a fine summer's evening in the Old Trafford nets tonight were needed to convince the Lancashire fast bowler that his injured stomach muscles would not stand the strain of a five-day Test match.

G. O. Allen, the Chairman of the Selection Committee, who was looking on, immediately announced that Bedser would play. Bedser and Tyson, who were last together in a Test side at Brisbane in November 1954, are partners again.

They both went into net practice enthusiastically but Tyson, who was wearing his modified boots with the broader base and narrower heel, gave more time to batting than to bowling.

His short bowling spell was confined to medium pace work. The selectors seemed to be satisfied with his fitness and are not calling upon anyone else to join the party.

The South Africans are not in so happy a position. They are leaving a decision about Heine, their hero at Lord's, until tomorrow morning. If the fast bowler cannot play because of his strained knee, his loss will be great for all the England men acknowledged the splendid work he accomplished in the second Test.

The South Africans choose from 13. Duckworth, the young wicket-keeper batsman, who recently made 158—the highest score of the tour—signed Northamptonshire, seemed a likely replacement for his captain. Cheetham, who is suffering from a chipped elbow, McClellan, the vice-captain, will lead South Africa.

Much will depend on the ability of Bedser to recover his best Test form. The pitch is likely to be fast and as Bedser has happy recollections of Old Trafford, where he took 12 for 112 against the 1951 Springboks, he will have plenty of encouragement in his attempt to regain a permanent place in the England side.

The weather looks set fair for a time, and Lock, even if he does not find the pitch to favour him, will be all out to justify his performance over Wardle of Yorkshire.

This Test match, which can decide the rubber, is virtually a battle of the South of England against the South Africans. For once, there are no Lancashire or Yorkshire players in the team and eight of the 11 come from the home counties—France, Essex, etc.

Welch Regt.

Successes In Athletics

Lt. A. V. Ford of the Welch Regt., a well known name in Hongkong athletics, won the Welsh AAA 440 Yards' Championship at Maundy Stadium on June 25 in 50.5 seconds.

Reported to have run the Quarter in 51 seconds at Home when he arrived in Hongkong, Tony Ford never managed to beat 54 seconds here. His 50.5 seconds effort in Wales is a good pointer to the slowness of Hongkong tracks.

Lt. Ford never ran at Pokfulam where all fast 440 times in Hongkong, with the exception of Lt. M. C. Sweeney's 51.4 seconds at Caroline Hill, have been accomplished.

Lt. N. R. Hughes, also of the Welch Regiment and Hongkong's record-holder in the Javelin Throw, at 187 feet 2½ inches, was beaten into second place by J. C. Roberts in the Welsh Championships. Roberts threw 201 feet 1 inch. Neville Hughes' second place performance is not given in reports in Home papers.

Lt. Hughes also won third place in the Welsh Championships in the 120 Yards High Hurdles.

In the Army Championships at Aldershot last Saturday, Lt. Hughes won third place in the Javelin with 176 feet 2 inches. This was the only place gained by a former Hongkong-stationed Army athlete in this year's Army Championships at Home, the poorest prize bag by the "Hongkong Exiles" in the Army Championships in the past three years.

KING GEORGE VI AND QUEEN ELIZABETH STAKES

London, July 6.

Madame Suzy Volterra's three-year-old colt, Phil Drake, winner of the Epsom Derby and French Grand Prix de Paris this year, is among 15 final acceptors announced here today for the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes, Britain's richest turf prize of the year, to be run at Ascot, Berkshire, on Saturday, July 16.

Six English, five French and four Irish-trained horses comprise those left in out of the original entry of 82.

The event this year is worth £27,800 sterling, of which the winning owner's share is £22,630 sterling. This is a few hundred pounds sterling over than Aureole won for Queen Elizabeth in the race last year.

The older horses concede 14 lbs. to the three-year-olds in this mile and a half weight-for-age contest.

The other results of Open Championship matches played yesterday were:

OPEN SINGLES

S. Buckle (KBGC) beat C. B. Rourseffel (KBGC) 17-16.

S. Y. Dow (CCC) beat A. Boyd-Cowan (HKFC) 22-10.

C. R. Rossetti (CCC) beat G. Hong Choy (CCC) 21-20.

N. Fraser (TC) beat S. M. Rumjahn (IRC) 22-18.

A. Hutton (KBGC) beat C. Coefield (FC) 22-18.

OPEN PAIRS

F. Lee and W. C. Ogley (CCC) beat K. B. Baker and E. Greenwood (HKFC) 33-21.

T. Pilkington and H. Finney (PRC) beat D. M. Miller and W. C. Higgs (POC) 21-18.

OPEN TRIPLES

N. Heaton, J. Kelly and S. S. Wyper (HKFC) beat W. S. McArde, W. B. Brown and J. H. Kinlochburgh (TC) 19-16.

LADIES' BOWLS LEAGUE

Results of Ladies' Lawn Bowls League matches yesterday were:

CCC "Green" vs. USBC

L. Hong Choy vs. M. Goodyer

S. Correa vs. M. Hetherington

J. P. Souza vs. Mrs. M. C. Sweeney

P. R. C. vs. Mrs. F. Cambell

Mrs. Eddie vs. Mrs. A. Horatio

Mrs. Payton vs. Mrs. K. Tibble

Jaguars-U.S. Navy To Clash Today In Softball League

Jaguars will clash with U.S. Navy today at 6 p.m. in the second game of Summer Softball League. Jaguars were admitted to replace the withdrawn Filipinos "B" and will be welcomed by all softball lovers.

They are formidable contenders who will definitely make the League more interesting to watch.

According to Mr. E. G. Barros, their manager, they will take part in the Winter League also and to play in the Summer League is just a sort of warming up for their stiffening muscles.

The battery will consist of Vic Pedruco and Ignacio Erickson; infielders are C. Pugh, G. Langenberg, R. Hussin, E. G. Barros, D. Smirke, R. Pedruco, and outfielders are M. Gidman, L. Sequeira, M. Pereira, N. Souza, A. Smirke, Lino Marques, etc.

FAST PITCHER

Nothing has been heard from the U.S. Navy yet as to which ship will play this afternoon. However, the sailors are usually good at the fundamentals and have a fast pitcher. They are fifty-fifty. This will be the first good game worth while seeing during the Summer vacation.

Softball lovers now will find the Summer League Softball interesting to watch since Jaguars have joined in. Four out of five teams are of Sr. "A" League calibre.

It is difficult to say at present which team will be the winner of Watson's Trophy. Jaguars, South China and Pandas stand better chances as the U.S. Navy teams are unpredictable due to their transitional nature.

It is heard that South China have requested to enter another team in the League but since the League has already begun and the schedule drawn, it may not be possible to admit another entry.

BEGINNERS' LEAGUE

Beginners' League entries are still open and those who wish to learn this interesting game are requested to send in their name, age, sex and address to the Hongkong Softball Association as soon as possible. More than 100 entries have already been received and the Association has already engaged more than ten coaches for this purpose.

The training periods will be 9-12 a.m., 2-5 p.m. and 5-8 p.m. on week days. All equipment will be provided.

The Hongkong Softball Association will hold its Annual General Meeting on July 18, 5.30 p.m. at Club Lustiano, Ice House Street, H.K. Accounts of the Season 1954/55 will be presented and officials re-elected. Any suggested changes in the Constitution and By-Laws should be sent to the Honorary Secretary.

Orlando Siroli (Italy) beat G. Fechini (Italy) 6-3, 6-2.

Abe Segal (South Africa) beat Bob Wilson (Britain) 13-11, 6-2.

Roger Becker (Britain) beat Bill Seymour (South Africa) 7-5, 6-4.

Fausto Gardini (Italy) beat Owen Williams (South Africa) 8-6, 7-5.

The following are the results of Women's Singles quarter-finals matches:

Mrs. Hazel Rodick-Smith (South Africa) beat Miss Nicols (Australia) 6-1, 6-0.

Mrs. Heather Brewster (Bermuda) beat Miss Rosemary Walsh (Britain) 6-2, 6-2.

Mary Carter (Australia) beat Fay Muller (Australia) 1-5, 2-6.

Beryl Penrose (Australia) beat Miss Ruby Woodgate (Britain) 3-0, 7-5, 6-1—United Press.

NEW WORLD RECORD

Moscow, July 6. Gulya Yermakova, a Leningrad University student, set up a new world record of 10.8 seconds for the women's 100 Metres Hurdles during the universities' athletic meeting at Leningrad today.

The former record was shared between S. B. De La Hunty of Australia and M. Golovchenko of the Soviet Union with 10.9 seconds—*Press*.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Bowls Open Pairs Championships: Matches at IRC, CCC, KCC and KBGC.

Men's "B" Division: HKCC v. KCC, KCC v. HKFC, KCC v. PRCC, KCC v. SCAC, LRC v. Recreio.

Summers League: FC "B" v. US Navy at Aldo Park.

TOMORROW

Bowls Open Singles Championships: Match at KCC, HKFC, HKCC, Recreio, KDC, KBGC, CCC, Recreio.

SATURDAY

Bowls First Division: Rec. "W" vs. PRCC, HKFC.

Second Division: KDC v. HKCC, PRCC.

Stone Division: KDC v. HKCC, PRCC.

Third Division: KDC v. HKCC, PRCC.

Baseball: PRCC v. HKCC.

Summer League: Braves v. U.S. Navy at Aldo Park.

Bowls Liberation Shield: KCC v. KBGC.

Baseball: PRCC v. HKCC.

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Life Becoming Difficult For Clandestine Archaeologists

Rome, July 6.
Life is becoming increasingly difficult for Italy's hundreds of clandestine archaeologists.

Police are now keeping a special watch for the men who pillage the Greek, Etruscan and Roman tombs and temples scattered about Italy.

Answering a question in the Chamber of Deputies (the Lower House of Parliament) recently, Signor Giuseppe Ercini, the Education Minister admitted that there had been a "preoccupying increase in illegal excavations" in the past few months, especially in Central Italy, technically known as Southern Etruria and archaeologically rich in Etruscan and Roman ruins.

The Minister said that the police had been ordered to launch a "more vigorous and constant" campaign against these "archaeological bandits" and ten arrests had already been made.

NOTHING NEW

Clandestine diggers in Italy are nothing new.

The Penal Code lays down that whoever tampers with the "national archaeological, historical or artistic patrimony" is liable to a year's preventive custody and/or a fine of up to 8,000 Lire (\$8). He can also incur a series of other fines and terms of imprisonment or up to three years on charges of theft and trading in objects of archaeological value (which requires a "special licence").

The penalties did not deter the archaeological bandits. They ran little risk of detection and profits were always generous.

Secret diggers share an uncaring instinct for buried ruins. Some are professionals with a sound knowledge of archaeology. Others are diggers with a shrewd sense of the value of mementoes of earlier civilisations.

Methods of locating the exact whereabouts of a ruin vary.

Dr Giuseppe Luigi, a former inspector of the Government office controlling the export of artistic works described two of these methods recently. In some places, he said, a long iron-tipped stake is used to sound a promising area. Experienced can catch the clink of iron against a tombstone, the dome of a temple or the broken wall of a building. In other places, pickaxe and shovel delicately clear away the earth in an area showing signs of buried treasures.

BANDITS

Archaeological bandits, like genuine archaeologists, can also tell the probable location of a ruin by the thickness of vegetation on the surface. But in a country like Italy, where one can hardly dig a hole without revealing some remnant of history, searching for ruins is rarely required.

Tombs, temples, whole villages appear under a farmer's plough, a builder's pick or a child's playful digging. When a vase or some other object is turned up, the finder can either report the discovery to the nearest Superintendent of Antiquities or to one of the roving gangs of archaeological bandits.

The former alternative, under existing laws, brings him nothing but bother. The area is frozen until organised excavations can take place. The owner is paid for everything of value found, even for the parcel of land if the find is irremovable, but only after tedious bureaucratic procedure.

The clandestine archaeologists dig quickly and pay on the spot.

They bring in a party of expert diggers who work by lamplight or in the first light of dawn. Objects of value pilfered from the ruins are carried away in cartloads of hay.

But in their haste, the illegal diggers cause incalculable damage. Their sole concern is to steal the most valuable objects—bronze vases, amphoras, statuary, statuettes and jewellery. Objects of less material worth, like terracotta vases, figures and inscribed tablets, are inevitably smashed or damaged. Priceless archaeological information is thus hopelessly lost.

MANY HANDS

The bandit's tool passes through many hands and finally reaches the shops of unscrupulous Italian antiquarians, or is smuggled out of Italy.

A gang of expert archaeological robbers carried out the most sensational coup of recent times two years ago when they snatched 100 tonnes in a necropolis (burial ground) in the Po Valley, in north-central Italy.

Beautifully decorated amphora and vases valued at 100,000,000 Lire (\$27,000) were stolen. Many have since been recovered, but the experts fear that some of the loveliest pieces are now beyond recovery.

The necropolis is believed to have belonged to Spina, a city



SENATOR BETTER

Washington, July 7.

Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson's doctor said the Texas Democrat is "better" today than he has been at any time" since he suffered a "moderately severe" heart attack late on Saturday.

But the doctor, James Cain of the Mayo Clinic at Rochester, Minnesota, emphasised it will be "five or six months" before the extent of permanent damage can be determined.

The original temple was razed by Hannibal's elephant column during the advance on Rome in 211 B.C. (Before Christ) but it was rebuilt some years later and regained its old popularity—China Mail Special.

Western eyes (of British and American air girls) turn towards the East — the colourfully clad figure of Flying Officer Yin Yin, woman officer of the Burmese Air Force, at the Officer Cadet Training School of the Women's Royal Air Force at Hawkinge, Kent.

Left to right — Officer Cadet Elsie Plateau, of Tonbridge, South Wales; Flying Officer Hla Than; Flying Officer Khin Hla Win; Capt. Mary Ellen Bates, Washington; Flying Officers Nyo Nyo and Yin Yin. The Burmese girls are attending a course at the Hawkinge school. Reuterphoto.

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

Aids The Blind

Melbourne, July 7.

A blind Siamese girl arrived here to study Australian methods of teaching the blind.

She is Miss Sahatya Chotikastien, who is attending a course of instruction at the Royal Victorian Institute of the Blind before returning to Siam to do social service work.

Miss Chotikastien said: "The blind need help not pity."

She added that her ambition was to make her people realise that the blind can work. — China Mail Special.

PARIS — FRANCE'S ENEMY NO.1

Paris, July 6.

Town planners, economists, policemen and pedestrians alike are agreed that something will have to be done about Paris.

M. Georges Maurice, director of the municipal police, recently published a book entitled "Circulez! Le pourrez-vous demain?" ("Move on! Will you be able to tomorrow?").

Economists and Sociologists pointing to the concentration of France's industry, administration and intellectual life in and around the capital, have called Paris "France's enemy number one" and the rest of the country "the French desert".

Two hundred architects, town planners and other specialists recently told an international congress of students of architecture here what they thought was wrong with the capital of the country "the French desert".

Lovers of Paris who fear that any new major surgical operations would "Haussmannise" their favourite haunts, need have no such fears, according to the experts.

Historic Paris, artistic Paris, the Paris which attracts visitors, covers, they say, from 15,000 to 17,000 acres. It is bounded roughly by the Champs Elysees on the west, the Bastille on the east, Montmartre on the north and Montparnasse on the south.

The rest of the 3,200,000 acres of built-up area, say the planners, consists largely of slums, muddled suburbs with factories and cheap, nasty housing mixed in together and much solid, but uninspired, post-Haussmann buildings.

You can chop and carve as you like in all that they say, and harm nothing that matters.

Part of the trouble, the experts agree, arises from the fact that historic inner Paris is used for the wrong things. Their classic example is the Halles, the central market which not only feeds Paris but also handles much produce in transit from one provincial centre to another.

Cramped, out of date, served by no railway and by narrow, busy streets, the Halles create a traffic jam which is the despair of the market lorry drivers and everyone else.

REMEDIES

Here are some of the remedies suggested by the planners:

1. Develop the Provincial Universities to give the "French desert" more intellectual life.

2. Give the "desert" more economic life, too, by encouraging industry to move to provincial cities.

3. Develop surrounding towns, like Creil, Compiègne, Meaux and Melun, not as dormitory suburbs but as satellite towns with their own industries on the British model.

4. Make more easy ways out of Paris like the Autoroute de l'Ouest, which enables motorists bound for the west and northwest to bypass all the suburbs which extend to Verrières and Saint-Germain-en-Laye. A southern motor highway to link up with the main roads to Orléans and Lyons and serve Orly airport is already under construction.

5. Make it easier to get round Paris by building a ring road beyond the Outer Boulevards which are now in town.

6. Move the Halles out to the Porte de la Villette, where, adjoining the abbatoirs and the cattle market and well served by road and rail, a large out-of-the-city gasworks is due for demolition.

7. Re-group Government offices in a set of new Ministries round the road junction beyond Neuilly bridge, where the monument to the defence of Paris in 1871 dominates a vast expanse of shacks and vacant lots.

8. Move the hospital out to the country, leaving only accident and emergency departments in town.

9. Get some of the parked cars off the streets into many-storied car parks, including one on the site of the Halles. All these things will cost money, but some at least will have to be done to give an affirmative answer to M. Maurice's question.—China Mail Special.

Pigmy Tribe Discovered In Colombia

Bogota, July 6.

Anthropologists pygmies have been discovered in the south of Colombia by the well-known US explorer, Colonel Leonard Francis Clark, who has spent several months exploring the course of the Apoporis River, a tributary of the Caquetá River, which flows into the Amazon.

Colonel Clark said that he had discovered a new mountain ridge, which belongs to an older geological formation than the Andes.

This may be confirmed by the fact that not far from the Eastern slopes of the Colombian Andes an old mountain formation is found which is known as the Macarena.

Colonel Clark's mountain ridge is up to 2,000 feet high. The pygmies who were discovered on a plateau are described as small, short and extremely corpulent. Their average height is 3 feet 11 inches.—China Mail Special.

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Simonstown's Role In West Defence

Simonstown, July 6.—While South African and British statesmen have been discussing in London the future of the great naval base here, warships of Britain, South Africa and France have been steaming back to their ports after taking part in their annual sea-air defence manoeuvres off the east coast of South Africa.

Every summer naval and air force units of the three countries, operating from South African and Madagascan bases, join together for an international exercise which emphasizes the importance of the broad strategy of Western security of the Simonstown naval base at the southern tip of the African continent.

The base has been British naval property on South African soil since 1893. But, regardless of the previous differing views over its future ownership and control, all agree on its role as the most important strategic naval base in the Southern Hemisphere for Western countries.

150 Years

Simonstown, situated 22 miles from Cape Town inside False Bay on the Indian Ocean shores of Cape Peninsula, has actually been a British Admiralty base nearly 150 years—since 1814—but was first settled as a naval and military depot by early Dutch occupying forces in 1741.

Today it is a community of over 10,000 people, more than half of them Europeans with a naval harbour, dry dock, workshops and Admiralty House, official residence of the Commander-in-Chief, South Atlantic Squadron—at present Vice-Admiral Sir Ian Campbell.

Simonstown's value as the turning point of the shipping routes round the bottom of the African continent where the Atlantic and Indian Oceans meet has increased strategically since it was accepted that any war with the East would probably close the Suez Canal.

Defence experts have reasoned that a Communist offensive would drive towards the Persian Gulf, aiming to seize rich Western-owned oil installations and block communications through the Middle East.

Simonstown provides the only equipped naval maintenance base anywhere nearby. The South African Navy occupies an independent base at Salisbury Island, Durban, for its few small ships, but Simonstown dockyard facilities are required for repair or refit.

Nearest Base

Apart from Simonstown, the nearest major naval base in an emergency today would be Gibraltar, Bombay or Ceylon both 5,000 miles away.

The Cape, known in history as the "Tavern of the Seas," being a convenient venturing point for old sailing ship routes to the East, must long retain its role as one of the world's great shipping junctions, prosperous in peace and vital in war.

Ships maintaining supply routes between Britain, India, the East and Australasia must use the Cape if the Suez Canal was shut.

In the critical days of the Second World War over 300 vessels were repaired at Simonstown and more than 2,000 ships called there. Warships found it an invaluable base for escorting convoys through dangerous sea lanes where German submarines hunted allied shipping.

Well-Sheltered

False Bay, 20 miles wide, affords well-sheltered anchorages in the worst weather for modern warships of any size though Simonstown's dry docks could not cope with today's great battleships or aircraft carriers. In case of need, however, these could fit into the larger commercial Duncan Dock in Table Bay outside Cape Town itself.

Coastal resorts hugging the mountain slopes around the rocky shores of False Bay rarely see anything much larger than a destroyer or frigate using Simonstown dockyard to-day. —China Mail Special.

GAY PRAGUE DIVORCEE

Prague, July 6.—A 34-year-old Prague divorcee, Jirina Fekarova, used to beg, borrow or steal a handbag, gold watch, camera, leather jacket, costume material or something else when she visited her friends, the Czechoslovak newspaper *Vesecni Praha* reported.

Then she sold the good and pocketed the money. She supplemented this income by helping herself to cash belonging to tipsy men she met in night clubs. And once she stole 3,000 crowns (about £150 sterling) on a train journey.

But now her "easy money" days are over. She is under arrest, the newspaper said. —China Mail Special.

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

UK ON THRESHOLD OF OIL AGE

Demand Will Fall On The Entire Industry

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$933,483.30. Nocturnal notations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS : HK Bank ... 1,780 170 31 ... 1700

ENTREPRENEURS : Union ... 40 ... 1000

Lombard ... 5312 ... 40

SHIPPING : ... 1000 ... 1000

DOCKS, ETC. : ... 1000 ... 1000

W.H. Wharf ... 7312 ... 77

Deck ... 2740 500 ... 2710

Provident (C) ... 1512 ... 152

... 500 ... 1520

... 400 ... 1520

... 3000 ... 1520

... 500 ... 1520

Whaleback ... 8,800 8,83 4,730 ... 8,80

LAND, ETC. : 17,20 17,30 1000 ... 17,30

UK Land ... 72 72 ... 200 ... 72

Humphreys ... 18

Really ... 2,220 ... 2,30 14,000 ... 2,2710

UTILITIES : ... 21,00 ... 21,00

Trans ... 24,20 ... 500 ... 24,20

Star Ferry ... 1,512 1,51 ... 152

Yatman Ferry ... 121 122 ... 122

120 ... 122

C. LIGHT (C) 21,80 ... 22

2000 ... 21,80

C. Light (N) 17,20 17,70 ... 17,70

Electric ... 4212 4212 ... 4212

Telephone ... 1780 ... 1770

INDUSTRIALS : ... 21,00 ... 21,00

STEEL, ETC. : 23,10 23,40 5,500 ... 23,20

Dairy ... 2,210 2,210 ... 2,210

Watson ... 14,30 14,1 ... 1400 ... 14,20

Land Crawford ... 1212 1212 ... 1212

KIDNEY ... 3012 3114 200 ... 3012

COFFEE : ... 21,00 ... 21,00

Textile Corp. ... 5,80

Nanyang ... 7,70 7,73 2,750 ... 7,70

MISCELLANEOUS : ... 21,00 ... 21,00

Yards ... 1,500 1,500 2,250 ... 1,500

Alfred ... 1,500 1,500 2,250 ... 1,500

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

New York, July 6.

General Motors three-fold stock split proposal infected Wall Street with stock split fever today, sending prices of likely candidates up a point to more than 8 points.

General Motors itself soared more than 14 points to a new peak.

It held the lightning throughout the session as interest ran high in the split which will increase to 500,000 shares.

He said agreement signed last week with the British Central Electric Authority whereby Venezuelan fuel oil will replace coal as the fuel for seven major power stations in Britain was an "important step" in that direction.

London, July 6.

Britain is on the threshold of an "oil age" which will bring about another industrial revolution years before supplies of atomic energy become a major part of the power market, Sir Leonard Sinclair, Chairman of Esso Petroleum, Limited, said today in an interview with United Press.

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World Cotton Markets

New York, July 6.

Cotton prices moved higher today in quiet dealings.

Nearly July closed near the close, and the list finished five points lower to nine points higher. The market opened unchanged to two higher. New Orleans closed two lower to six higher.

The market opened steady with some support coming from routine mill buying along with Liverpool covering in nearby July. There was some selling by New Orleans traders.

Prices improved after the first half hour and the gains were held throughout the day on mill and local covering.

Attention was focused on switching from nearby July to the later months. Trading in that delivery expires next Wednesday.

There was only one July transferable notice issued at New York, but some quarters believe a substantial number of these notices will be issued soon.

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Month	Volume	Open Interests
June	13,700	493,900
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Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	34.80
July	34.00-01
Aug.	33.15-18
Sept.	32.33-34
Oct.	31.47-51
Dec.	34.31

NEW ORLEANS

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	33.30
July	32.97-59
Aug.	32.15-18
Sept.	31.34-37
Oct.	30.51-54
Dec.	33.75

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, July 6.

Wheat futures here and at Kansas City went up 2 cents a bushel today, with flour mill buyers active in the markets.

Grain merchants said this buying represented covering of sales of family flour. In the meantime, large baking firms are reported to be marketing new crop wheat reaches its peak so they can buy at lower levels.

Other grains on the Board of Trade here were irregular to day.

Reports of rains in the southwest, which will further hamper harvesting, on winter wheat, also brought support to wheat futures.

Wheat closed up 1% to 2% cents; soybeans (new) unchanged to off % cent.

Prospects for bumper corn and soybean harvests put pressure on these markets.

CHICAGO GRAIN PRICES

Prices per bushel in Chicago closing prices

Wheat, No. 2, red	2004
Soy.	2005
Dec.	21,10-25
Mar.	24,25
July	33,00

LONDON

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JOHN CLARKE'S
CASEBOOK

End Of Prison Riot

(Continued from Page 1)

IT was mid-afternoon and the police-station was as quiet as a country rectory when the children are away. Only occasional heavy thuds, as officers taking ten at their desks set down the fragile service crockery, and the scratch of a regulation pen nib, broke the silence.

Suddenly, the quiet was disturbed by an urgent hammering at the bell on the public counter.

A policeman who had been engaged on his daily stint of crime writing, laid down his pen and went to see what was the matter, half expecting he would find a woman who had lost a handbag, a man who had lost a car, or a child who had lost a ball.

ALL FAITH GONE

INSTEAD he found George, a man who had lost something less easy to recover than any of those things. For George, in his middle-forties, prematurely grey, prematurely pinched and crabbed, had lost all faith in himself and all hope for the future.

"Well?" said the policeman.

"... I've come to give my self up," George said. "I sold an old pair of shoes from a van."

"Tell me about it," the officer said. Shakily, George obeyed.

ALL THINGS GREY

HE said he had stolen the shoes from a parked van in which he had slept the night before and sold them to a stranger for 5s. He could not remember exactly where the van had been parked, nor what it looked like, except that he thought its colour was grey.

But to George all things seemed grey.

The police could find no trace of shoes reported missing. They searched the area where George thought he had spent the night, but they could not find the van.

"But I tell you I did steal them," George insisted.

ALL TOO HARD

AT the Clerkenwell court, he pleaded guilty. But, the magistrate, Mr Frank Powell, when he heard the story, said: "I suppose he may really have made all this up?"

"He may, sir," a detective said. "There are 22 previous convictions against this man, and he came out of prison last January after serving seven years. He's had good jobs as a labourer since then, earning nearly \$10 a week, and he has no one but himself to support—but he gave them up because he found the work too hard."

"Do you want to go back to prison?" the magistrate asked George.

"That's right, definitely, yes," George said.

"But you might get another long sentence. You don't want to spend the rest of your life in prison, do you?"

"It's immaterial to me," George said.

"Well, this is very sad," said the magistrate. "I doubt very much whether you committed this offence. You'd better have a talk with the probation officer."

ALL WILL HELP

WHEN the probation officer brought George back, he said: "He still maintains that he stole the shoes."

"Suppose I let you go," said the magistrate to George, "what will you do with yourself?"

"I suppose I'll be walking around at midnight, without a meal."

"And then you'll be brought in as a suspected person," said the magistrate. "I'm going to ask the doctors to have a look at you."

George shrugged. He said nothing, just turned and shuffled away. A traveller setting out against his will upon a voyage of discovery, whose destination, the doctors, the probation officer, the magistrate might steer him to the land of happiness, and promise he had given up hope of finding for himself.

GOLD FOUND ON SMUGGLER

Pleading guilty to importing 40 lbs of gold without a licence, Leung Choy, 52, of 120 Des Voeux Road, Central, third floor, was fined \$750 by Mr Hinsching Lo at Central this morning.

The gold, which is worth approximately \$11,000, was found concealed on defendant at the Yuen On Wharf yesterday morning.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Oh, I get to the doctor's lots oftener now that I have a full-time maid and nothing to worry about!"

Alleged Swindle Told To Court

The story of an alleged swindle of \$58,800 involving a shipment of "shirts" to Australia, which turned out to be rock salt was told by Crown Counsel, Mr D. E. Greenfield in the Victoria District Court this morning.

Charged before Judge J. Reynolds was a former salesman of the Queen's Dispensary, Joe Francis Gerver, alias Jean Franz Ang How, alias Chiu Wah-fat.

He was charged with obtaining on December 24, last year with intent to defraud from Messrs J. Kundan and Co., a cheque to the value of \$2,000 by falsely pretending together with M. Mirchund Kotwani that he was the proprietor of an alleged firm called Swan Garment Factory which manufactured rayon jackets; and with obtaining on January 8, 1955, from Messrs J. Kundan and Co., a cheque to the value of \$56,800 by falsely pretending together with M. Mirchund Kotwani that a quantity of rayon jackets, of a description and value specified in a bill of Swan Garment Factory, delivered to Messrs J. Kundan and Co., had been shipped to Australia.

Accused, who is on bail of \$5,000, is represented by Mr Y. H. Chan of Messrs Lou, Chan and Ko.

CROWN CASE

The Crown case was that the Hongkong manager of Kundan and Co., Mr S. S. Chopra, an Indian merchant, was not very experienced in import and export business, and employed Kotwani as his export manager. Kotwani produced a cable purporting to be from a firm in Sydney ordering 400 dozen garments, and introduced the accused who posed as the proprietor of the Swan Garment Factory of 111 Laichikok Road.

The accused had in the meantime ordered two chaps of that firm's name and 20 each of visiting cards, invoices and receipts in the same name with a bogus telephone number, according to the prosecution.

A contract was signed between Mr Chopra and the accused in which the price for the shirts came to \$58,800 after an allowance of five per cent profit for Kundan and Co. had been deducted. Mr Chopra gave the accused a cheque for \$2,000 as deposit. This cheque made out to the Swan Garment Factory was endorsed to an amount belonging to Kotwani. Kotwani in turn drew \$650 from this account in a cash cheque in favour of the accused. With this money the accused bought wooden boxes and packing material and rock salt, the Prosecution alleged. The boxes were packed and shipped on the 25th Delos and Mr Chopra made out a cheque to the Swan Garment Factory for the balance of \$56,800 when he received the Mate's Receipt. This cheque was endorsed in a similar way to the previous one and Kotwani made out a cheque for \$20,850 in favour of the accused who paid it into his own account.

BOUGHT RUPEES

Kotwani bought Indian rupees with some of his money and on January 15 left by plane for Calcutta. When he did not re-

CHINESE FILM COMPANIES IN HK FACING BANKRUPTCY Crippling Taiwan Regulation

Most of the major Chinese film companies in Hongkong are threatened with disaster by a recent currency regulation in Formosa—one of the principal markets for Mandarin speaking films.

After a meeting of prominent Hongkong film producers yesterday, representing 24 film companies, Mr Chang Kuo-sin, Managing Director of The Asia Pictures Ltd, said:

"We are faced with disaster. These new financial regulations are threatening the Chinese film industry with bankruptcy. If nothing is done the whole Chinese Mandarin film industry will close down leaving the field completely to the Communists."

"This is the worst crisis that the industry has faced since it was brought down to Hongkong in 1948."

The currency regulation, which was brought in three months ago reduced exportable profits of Hongkong films shown in Formosa to a trickle. Mr Chang Kuo-sin said that without the Formosa market, no Chinese film would be able to earn its production cost.

The regulation is one by which a permit costing \$6 (Taiwan) must be purchased for every US\$1 sent out of the island—about \$1 (Taiwan) for every HK\$1.

The current rate of exchange stands at \$2.74 (Taiwan): HK\$1. Eight months ago a dearness tax of 20 per cent was charged on all currency exported. The regulation in addition means that it costs \$4,400 (Taiwan) to send HK\$10,000.

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Explaining the costing of a Chinese film, Mr Chang Kuo-sin said that the production cost of all films have had to be cut to a minimum. It was impossible to cut the costs of a normal Chinese film beyond HK\$130,000.

Costs of production, administration, and distribution brought this figure up to at least HK\$200,000.

OLD-TIME EARNINGS

Before the new regulations in Formosa a good film could expect to earn the following from its export markets:

Formosa HK\$70,000

Singapore and Malaya 90,000

Hongkong 15,000

Philippines 13,000

Bangkok 10,000

Indo-China 10,000

Chinatown cinemas 6,000

In the United States 6,000

A further market, Indonesia, has been completely cut off by foreign exchange regulation, and administrative costs in Japan mean that the only Chinese films now shown there are ones made by the Chinese Communist Government and distributed either free or at a loss.

Mr Chang Kuo-sin said that, under present circumstances the Chinese film industry is in existence by default. In fact, no film, however successful, can earn its production costs.

PETITION

He and Mr Wan Yun-long, General Manager of the Yi Lien Film Company, are to head a petition group organised by 24 independent film companies in Hongkong.

The coach, with seating for 84 passengers, carried Mr O'Neill, his wife, the former Baroness Mary Marshall von Bieberstein, and the Third Secretary to the British Embassy in Peking, Mr Douglas Hurd, who came down to meet Mr O'Neill.

They were seen off by the German Consul-General, Mr H. Dittman, Mr M. C. Illingworth, the Governor, Mr J. B. Trevor, General Manager of the Kowloon-Canton Railways, and Mr C. H. Ngan, Traffic Manager.

Mr O'Neill Leaves

Mr C. D. W. O'Neill, the new British Charge d'Affaires to Peking, left the Kowloon railway station for Canton in a newly painted first class coach this morning.

The delegation plan to send cables during the next few days to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, the Prime Minister, Mr K. Y. Yu, the KMT Party Secretary-General, Chang Li-sheng, and four other high ranking Government officials.

They will also ask for an audience with Chiang Kai-shek to present their case.

The request of the film companies will be that the Government of Free China should recognise the Chinese film industry as a domestic art suitable for special treatment.

They will also ask either that the financial regulations are lifted from the industry, or for some other regulations or subsidy.

Hongkong is today the third largest film producing city in the world, judged by footage.

The closure of the main Mandarin film companies would not completely end the industry in Hongkong.

But the only companies which would remain would be small ones producing either local Cantonese films with little export value or Communist propaganda films which reap a rich reward from Communist China, but have no commercial value outside the "bamboo curtain".

The principal companies involved in the petition to Taiwan are the Young Hwa Motion Picture Co., Shaw Brothers Film Co., Wader Film Co., New China Film Co., Yi Lien Film Co., and Asia Pictures Ltd.

Exiles Reject Peron's Offer

Montevideo, July 6.—Exiled opponents of Argentine President Juan D. Peron rejected any idea of national reconciliation so long as Peron remains in power.

The leaders of the large group of Argentine civilian and military exiles said that while they are not opposed to political peace in Argentina, they refuse to "become voluntary acolytes in a reconciliation farce designed only to save the (Peron) dictatorship, already in a state of bankruptcy."

Thus, the statement added, Peron is merely seeking to gain time to "recapture lost positions, by playing the classic game of deceiving the negotiators."

A PROMISE

In Buenos Aires, new Interior Minister Oscar Albrieu said opposition parties would be given ready access to the press and the radio, and even allowed to publish their own newspaper, providing they place themselves "within the bounds of pacification and harmony."

The Radical Party, Argentina's chief opposition group, said in a manifesto that "there can be no pacification without freedom."

The Radical manifesto announced the party would ask the Ministry of Communications for time over the official state radio so that party president Arturo Frondizi could reply to President Peron's true proposals over a nationwide hook-up.

A COMPARISON

The exiles' statement here compared Peron's reconciliation address yesterday to Anthony's funeral oration after Julius Caesar's assassination.

"We have heard again Anthony's plaintive speech before the body of Caesar," the statement said. "If its listeners allow themselves to fall into it we allow ourselves to fall into it as well."

The Civic Association has disclosed that it is not satisfied with the reply received from Headquarters Land Forces, and that it is taking the necessary steps to make representations in London on this subject.

Percussion Band Greets Lady Grantham

The Hip Wo Primary School percussion band (average age five) gave Lady Grantham a novel welcome when she visited their school this morning.

The band played a Chinese number followed by a Chinese song. Lady Grantham who was watching them closely with Miss Tui Yui Chee, their headmistress, said "Oh, how sweet!" She was then presented with a sample of the children's work by five-year-old Leung Sau-sau.

Lady Grantham was visiting three Kowloon schools. She was accompanied by the Hon. D. S. Crozier, Director of Education and Dr Irene Ho Cheng, Senior Education Officer.

The Hip Wo Primary School is a private school consisting of two kindergartens and six primary divisions. There are altogether 203 pupils.

AT KOWLOON JUNIOR

Next Lady Grantham visited the Kowloon Junior School and was shown round by Miss E. M. Caldwell, headmistress. Here she was presented with a cushion and cover by 10-year-old Katherine Edwins. The cushion was the work of the sixth class.

Kowloon Junior School is a modern government school opened in 1950.

It is an international school and we lay the stress on the international character as we have 20 different nationalities," said S. H. Mak, Matron.

The latest posting times for registered articles are generally as follows:

China, 7 p.m.

Thailand, 6 p.m.

India, 6 p.m.

Malaya, 6 p.m.

Indonesia, 6 p.m.

Burma, 6 p.m.

Pakistan, 6 p.m.

Middle East, 6 p.m.